

May 22, 2022



*My peace*  
"MY PEACE

*to give to you.*  
I GIVE TO YOU.

*Not as the world*  
NOT AS THE WORLD

*gives do I give to you."*  
GIVES DO I GIVE TO YOU."

*John*  
JOHN 14:27, ESV



# MT. ZION

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## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Easter

**Pre-Service Personal Prayer:** *Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Most High, Who no longer dwells on earth in lowliness and poverty, but are seated at the right hand of the Father, Lord over all things in heaven and on earth, filling and ruling all, we ask You to send us Your Holy Spirit. Mightily protect Your Kingdom, until all enemies are laid at Your feet, and we overcome sin, death, and all things. In Your name, Amen.*

### Today's Worship!

#### Greeting and Prayer

**Opening Hymn 207:1-4 (TLH):** *Like the Golden Sun Ascending*

- 1. Like the golden sun ascending, Breaking through the gloom of night,  
On the earth his glory spending So that darkness takes to flight,  
Thus my Jesus from the grave And Death's dismal, dreadful cave  
Rose triumphant Easter morning At the early purple dawning.**
- 2. Thanks to Thee, O Christ victorious! Thanks to Thee, O Lord of Life!  
Death hath now no power o'er us, Thou hast conquered in the strife.  
Thanks because Thou didst arise And hast opened Paradise!  
None can fully sing the glory Of the resurrection story.**
- 3. Though I be by sin o'ertaken, Though I lie in helplessness,  
Though I be by friends forsaken And must suffer sore distress,  
Though I be despised, contemned, And by all the world condemned,  
Though the dark grave yawn before me, Yet the light of hope shines o'er me.**
- 4. Thou hast died for my transgression, All my sins on Thee were laid;  
Thou hast won for me salvation, On the cross my debt was paid.  
From the grave I shall arise And shall meet Thee in the skies.  
Death itself is transitory; I shall lift my head in glory.**

#### The Invocation

*We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

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

**C** Amen!

#### The Confession and Absolution of Sins

*We come before our Holy God admitting that we are sinful and need His forgiveness.*

**P** Beloved of God: Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant forgiveness:

**C** Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.

**P** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Lord, Have Mercy

*Kyrie – Latin for “O Lord.” We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life.*

Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy  
on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us.

## Glory to God in the Highest

*Gloria in Excelsis – Latin for “Glory in the Highest (to God).” A hymn glorifying and praising our God.*

**P** Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to all peo-ple on  
earth. **C** Lord God, heav-enly king, al-might-y God and  
Fa-ther: We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we  
praise You for Your glo-ry. Lord Je-sus  
Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God,



Lamb of God: You take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. You are seat-ed at the right hand of the  
Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer. For You a-lone are the  
Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord, You a-lone are the  
Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the  
glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

## The Prayer for the Day

*The main thoughts for the day are collected together in this prayer.*

- P** Let us pray. . . through Christ Jesus, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

## The First Reading: Acts 14:8-18

Now at Lystra there was a man sitting who could not use his feet. He was crippled from birth and had never walked. <sup>9</sup> He listened to Paul speaking. And Paul, looking intently at him and seeing that he had faith to be made well, <sup>10</sup> said in a loud voice, "Stand upright on your feet." And he sprang up and began walking. <sup>11</sup> And when the crowds saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in Lycaonian, "The gods have come down to us in the likeness of men!" <sup>12</sup> Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul, Hermes, because he was the chief speaker. <sup>13</sup> And the priest of Zeus, whose temple was at the entrance to the city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates and wanted to offer sacrifice with the crowds. <sup>14</sup> But when the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard of it, they tore their garments and rushed out into the crowd, crying out, <sup>15</sup> "Men,

why are you doing these things? We also are men, of like nature with you, and we bring you good news, that you should turn from these vain things to a living God, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and all that is in them. <sup>16</sup> In past generations he allowed all the nations to walk in their own ways. <sup>17</sup> Yet he did not leave himself without witness, for he did good by giving you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, satisfying your hearts with food and gladness." <sup>18</sup> Even with these words they scarcely restrained the people from offering sacrifice to them.

**The Responsive Reading: *Psalm 65 Select Verses***

- P** Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion, and to you shall vows be performed.
- C** **O you who hear prayer, to you shall all flesh come.**
- P** When iniquities prevail against me, you atone for our transgressions.
- C** **Blessed is the one you choose and bring near, to dwell in your courts!**
- P** By awesome deeds you answer us with righteousness, O God of our salvation, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas;
- C** **The one who by his strength established the mountains, being girded with might;**
- P** Who stills the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples.
- C** **You make the going out of the morning and the evening to shout for joy.**

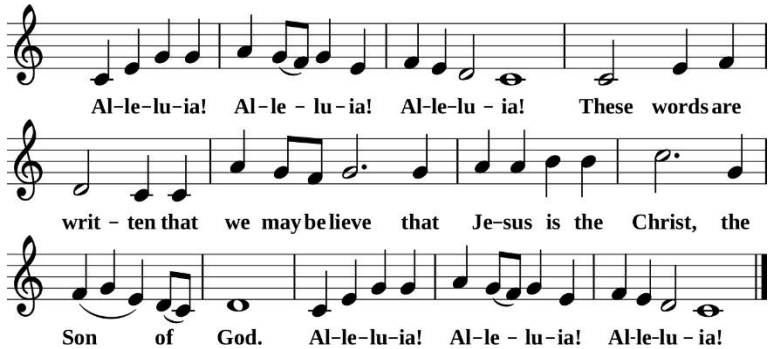


**The Second Reading: *Revelation 21:10-14,22-23***

And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, <sup>11</sup> having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. <sup>12</sup> It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed-- <sup>13</sup> on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. <sup>14</sup> And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

<sup>22</sup> And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup> And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb.

**P** Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le-lu - ia! These words are  
writ - ten that we may believe that Je-sus is the Christ, the  
Son of God. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le-lu - ia!

## The Apostle's Creed

*We boldly confess what we believe.*

- C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven; And is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
- I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Hymn 794 (WS2000): *Jerusalem, Jerusalem*

- 1. Jerusalem, Jerusalem, When shall I come to thee?  
When shall my sorrows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?*
- 2. When shall these eyes Thy heav'n built walls And pearly gates behold,  
Thy bulwarks with salvation strong And streets of shining gold?*
- 3. Oh, when, thou city of my God, Shall I thy courts ascend?  
Where evermore thy angels sing, The Sabbath has no end.*
- 4. O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare For that bright home of love  
That I may see Thee and adore With all Thy saints above.*

## The Sermon: John 14:23-27

Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. <sup>24</sup> Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me. <sup>25</sup> "These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

### Theme: JESUS' WORD IS OUR FAMILY HEIRLOOM

- I. It is lovingly cherished by His family
- II. It is handed down by the Holy Spirit
- III. It brings peace to all who possess it

## The Offertory

*Having heard God's Word, we ask Him to spiritually heal us, giving us the gift of the Holy Spirit.*

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O  
God. Re - new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me  
not a - way from Your pres-ence. Take not Your Ho - ly  
Spir-it from me. Re - store to me the joy of Your sal-  
va - tion. Up - hold me with Your free Spir - it.

## Hymn 296 (TLH): *Speak, O Lord, Thy Servant Heareth*

1. *Speak, O Lord, Thy servant heareth, To Thy Word I now give heed;  
Life and spirit Thy Word beareth, All Thy Word is true indeed.  
Death's dread power in me is rife; Jesus, may Thy Word of Life  
Fill my soul with love's strong fervor That I cling to Thee forever.*

**2. Oh, what blessing to be near Thee And to hearken to Thy voice!  
May I ever love and fear Thee That Thy Word may be my choice!  
Oft were hardened sinners, Lord, Struck with terror by Thy Word;  
But to him who for sin grieveth Comfort sweet and hope it giveth.**

**3. Lord, Thy words are waters living Where I quench my thirsty need;  
Lord, Thy words are bread life-giving, On Thy words my Soul doth feed.  
Lord, Thy words shall be my light Through death's vale and dreary night;  
Yea, they are my sword prevailing And my cup of joy unailing.**

**4. Precious Jesus, I beseech Thee, May Thy words take root in me;  
May this gift from heaven enrich me So that I bear fruit for Thee!  
Take them never from my heart Till I see Thee as Thou art,  
When in heavenly bliss and glory I shall greet Thee and adore Thee.**

## The Offering of Thankful Hearts

*In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him. If you wish to give your church offering electronically, you can do so by using the CashApp on your mobile device. The church's \$cashtag is "\$clcmztzion". While the usher brings the offering plate forward we sing the following hymn verse*

**(788:1): Lord, You love the cheerful giver Who with open heart and hand  
Blesses freely, as a river That refreshes all the land.  
Grant us, then, the grace of giving With a spirit large and true  
That our life and all our living We may consecrate to You.**

## Prayer of the Church – The Lord's Prayer

**☩ 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.**

## The Benediction *The blessing given by God for His people (Numbers 6:24-26)*

**☩** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.  
**☩ Amen!**

## Closing Hymn 283 (TLH): *God's Word is Our Great Heritage*

**1. God's Word is our great heritage And shall be ours forever;  
To spread its light from age to age Shall be our chief endeavor.  
Through life it guides our way, In death it is our stay.  
Lord, grant, while worlds endure, We keep its teachings pure.  
Throughout all generations!**

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*“If the LORD wills, we will do this or that.” James 4:15*

**WELCOME EVERYONE!** We pray that God’s Word and our worship today will help you grow in the grace and knowledge of our Savior Jesus. We ask our visitors to please sign our guest book. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you’ve found it with us. Ask our Pastor about a free Bible study he offers to explain what we believe and teach. Where and when? Your convenience.

**FREE HYMNALS:** When moving furniture to paint the sanctuary, we discovered ~200 unused *Lutheran Hymnals* stored in the church altar. They are being offered free to anyone. Please take one or more for home devotional use. You can find them in boxes in the coat closet.

**CHURCH PIZZA PARTY HOSTED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION:** The Board of Ed is planning a church pizza party this Tuesday, May 24 beginning at 6:00pm. The board will be updating the congregation about ongoing plans for our future Christian Day school, as well as holding open discussions about the school’s possible location, grade ranges, mission statement, curriculum, and other topics.

**LIFT WILL BE HOSTING A “STOCK THE FREEZER PARTY”** on Sunday May 29th for the Naumann family immediately following worship service in the church basement. In preparation for their baby due next month please bring a meal pre-made & ready to go in their freezer. The goal is to stock them on food to ease cooking as Ashley gets closer to delivery. Please see Andrea for a list of food suggestions & needs. Light refreshments will be provided for all in attendance. We hope you can join us!

**VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Vacation Bible School at Mt. Zion is July 11-15, Monday – Friday, 9:00 – 11:30am. We need volunteers to teach, do crafts, oversee snacks and recess. Please speak to Pastor Naumann if you can help.

**MISSION HELPER TRIP FUND:** Mt. Zion member Andrea D’Onofrio has volunteered for the CLC Mission Helper Trip to East Africa this coming summer. Participants in this three-week overseas teaching trip are responsible for paying their own expenses (airfare, food & lodging, etc.). Total costs are ~\$3500. To assist in Andrea’s gospel work, Mt. Zion has established a “Mission Helper Trip Fund.” If you are able to contribute, please

donate to the fund and clearly mark your offering check for the “Mission Helper Trip Fund.”

**CLC CALL NEWS:** Pastor John Hein of Grace Lutheran, Fridley, MN, *has returned* the call to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL. + Pastor David Ude of Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI, *is still considering* the call to Redemption Lutheran Church, Lynnwood, WA.

**SERVING US THIS WEEK**

May Usher: Carl Ryan Church Cleaning: Troyans

**OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL** \*Offering numbers are from 5/15/22

Worship Attendance Last Sunday = 21 Bible Class/Sunday School = 19

Bi-Weekly Offerings Needed:	\$3307.69	Total Offerings Needed YTD:	\$31,423.08
Bi-Weekly Offerings Received:	\$2667.00	Total Offerings Received YTD:	\$30,147.25
Missions Offerings YTD (includes 10% of GB & individual offerings):			\$3034.73
Maisie Wittorp Christian Education Memorial Fund:			\$55,651.50
Andrea D’Onofrio Mission Helper Trip Fund			\$2250.00

**IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES AT MT. ZION**

<b>Wed. 5/25</b>	10am	Midweek Bible Study
<b>Tue. 5/24</b>	6pm	Church Pizza Party / Bd. of Ed. Congregational Meeting
<b>Sun. 5/29</b>	9am	Bible Class / Sunday School
	10am	Worship Service
<b>Sun. 6/5</b>		Summer Schedule Begins (BC/Sunday School in Recess)
<b>Mon.-Tue. 6/6-6/7</b>		Great Lakes Delegates Conference Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Saginaw, MI
<b>Tue. 6/14</b>	7pm	Elders Meeting
	7:30pm	Council Meeting
	8pm	Board of Education Meeting
	8:30pm	Outreach Meeting
<b>Thu.-Mon. 6/23-6/26</b>		35 <sup>th</sup> CLC Delegates Convention Immanuel Lutheran College, Eau Claire, WI