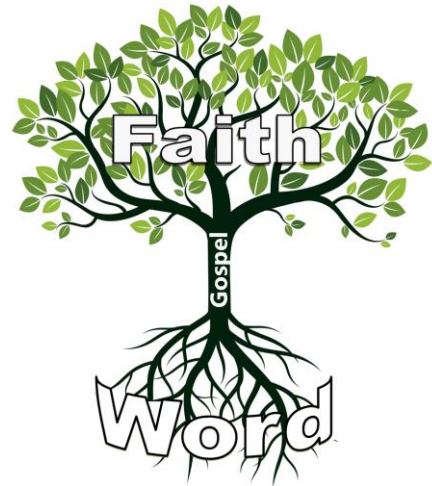


**The Tenth Sunday
after Trinity
August 5,
Year of Our ✠ Lord 2018**



Jesus Weeps for Jerusalem

Our Lord wept over Jerusalem for the destruction that would soon come upon her. For she did not recognize the time of God's visitation in Christ, who had come to bring her peace (Luke 19:41–48). Through His prophets God had consistently called His people to turn from their deceit and false worship. "But My people do not know the judgments of the Lord" (Jer. 8:4–12). They sought to establish their own righteousness rather than receive Christ's righteousness through faith (Rom. 9:30–10:4). So it was that God was in His temple to cleanse it, a precursor to the once-for-all cleansing from sin which He would accomplish in the temple of His own body on the cross. God grant us to know the things that make for our peace—His visitation in the Word and Sacraments—that by the Holy Spirit we may penitently confess "Jesus is Lord" (1 Cor. 12:1–11).



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✠ A WORD ABOUT THE DIVINE SERVICE ✠

If you were to ask most people what “worship” is, they might say, “Worship is praising the Lord” or “Worship is what human beings do to express their thanks to God” or “Worship is going to church,” or something like that. While there is some truth to each of these answers, they do not adequately describe the main purpose of Lutheran worship.



We Lutherans have a unique perspective on worship. We know that God’s Word and His holy Sacraments are His precious gifts to us. They are the tools the Holy Spirit uses to give us forgiveness, life and salvation. The main purpose of Lutheran worship is to receive these gifts from God.

Our Lutheran Confessions explain this truth as follows: “The service and worship of the Gospel is to receive good things from God” (Apology to the Augsburg Confession, Article IV.310).

I am not sure whether we have adequately emphasized this important truth. God gives His gifts. We receive them. That is the main purpose of Lutheran worship. He does this as His Gospel is proclaimed, as His Word is read, as His forgiveness is announced and sinners are absolved, and as we receive our Lord’s body and blood in Holy Communion. In these wonderful ways, God is present with us, His people, drawing us to Himself and giving us what we need so much—His mercy, forgiveness, love, joy, peace, power and comfort! The purpose of worship, therefore, is to be gathered by God around His gifts.

Having clearly established this important point, I need to say that it would be wrong to assume that we are merely passive participants in the worship service. Listen to the beautiful introduction to Lutheran Worship.

Our Lord speaks and we listen. His Word bestows what it says. Faith that is born from what is heard acknowledges the gifts, received with eager thankfulness and praise. Saying back to Him what he has said to us, we repeat what is most true and sure... The rhythm of our worship is from him to us, and then from us back to him. He gives his gifts, and together we receive and extol them. We build one another up as we speak to one another in psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs (Lutheran Worship, p. 6).

How true! God speaks. We listen. Then we speak the great “amen” of faith, saying, “Yes, yes, this is true!” Praise God for His mercy in permitting us to receive His gifts! Praise God for drawing us together around His gifts!

✠ Confession and Absolution ✠

Hymn of Invocation: 623 Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray

LSB 623

Stand

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

*Silence for self-reflection upon God's Ten Commandments,
that we may know our sin and be prepared for the Absolution.*

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

✠ Service of the Word ✠

Introit

Ps. 55:1, 4–5, 16; antiphon: Ps. 55:16a, 17b, 18a, 22a

A I call to God, and he hears my voice;
he redeems my soul in safety.

**C Cast your burden on the LORD,
and he will sustain you.**

A Give ear to my prayer, O God,
and hide not yourself from my plea for mercy!

**C My heart is in anguish within me;
the terrors of death have fallen upon me.**

A Fear and trembling come upon me,
and horror overwhelms me.

C But I call to God,
and the LORD will save me.

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

A I call to God, and he hears my voice;
he redeems my soul in safety.

C Cast your burden on the LORD,
and he will sustain you.

Kyrie

LSB 204



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Hymn of Praise: Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

G **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, You declare Your almighty power above all in showing mercy and pity. Mercifully grant us such a measure of Your grace that we may obtain Your gracious promises and be made partakers of Your heavenly treasures; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G **Amen.**

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 8:4–12

⁴“You shall say to them, Thus says the LORD:

When men fall, do they not rise again?

If one turns away, does he not return?

⁵Why then has this people turned away
in perpetual backsliding?

They hold fast to deceit;
they refuse to return.

⁶I have paid attention and listened,
but they have not spoken rightly;
no man relents of his evil,
saying, ‘What have I done?’

Everyone turns to his own course,
like a horse plunging headlong into battle.

⁷Even the stork in the heavens
knows her times,
and the turtledove, swallow, and crane
keep the time of their coming,
but my people know not
the just decrees of the LORD.

⁸“How can you say, ‘We are wise,
and the law of the LORD is with us’?
But behold, the lying pen of the scribes
has made it into a lie.

⁹The wise men shall be put to shame;
they shall be dismayed and taken;
behold, they have rejected the word of the LORD,

so what wisdom is in them?

¹⁰Therefore I will give their wives to others
and their fields to conquerors,
because from the least to the greatest
everyone is greedy for unjust gain;
from prophet to priest,
everyone deals falsely.

¹¹They have healed the wound of my people lightly,
saying, 'Peace, peace,'
when there is no peace.

¹²Were they ashamed when they committed abomination?
No, they were not at all ashamed;
they did not know how to blush.
Therefore they shall fall among the fallen;
when I punish them, they shall be overthrown,
says the LORD.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 17:8, 2

A Keep me as the apple of your eye;
hide me in the shadow of your wings.

**C From your presence let my vindication come!
Let your eyes behold the right!**

Epistle

Romans 9:30—10:4

³⁰What shall we say, then? That Gentiles who did not pursue righteousness have attained it, that is, a righteousness that is by faith; ³¹but that Israel who pursued a law that would lead to righteousness did not succeed in reaching that law. ³²Why? Because they did not pursue it by faith, but as if it were based on works. They have stumbled over the stumbling stone, ³³as it is written,

"Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense;
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

¹Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. ²I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. ³For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. ⁴For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 19:41–48

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the nineteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁴¹ When [Jesus] drew near and saw the city, he wept over it,

⁴² saying, "Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. ⁴³ For the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up a barricade around you and surround you and hem you in on every side ⁴⁴ and tear you down to the ground, you and your children within you. And they will not leave one stone upon another in you, because you did not know the time of your visitation."

⁴⁵ And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold, ⁴⁶ saying to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be a house of prayer,' but you have made it a den of robbers."

⁴⁷ And he was teaching daily in the temple. The chief priests and the scribes and the principal men of the people were seeking to destroy him, ⁴⁸ but they did not find anything they could do, for all the people were hanging on his words.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Apostles' Creed

P With one heart and one voice we confess the one Holy Faith as expressed in the Apostles' Creed.

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth.
 And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
 From thence 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.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: 644 The Church's One Foundation

LSB 644

Sermon

P In the name † of Jesus.
C Amen.

Stand

Offertory

LSB 192

C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it



from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Sit

Offering

While the offering is being gathered, the children are invited to bring their Sunday School mission offering to the front of the church. Also, please fill out the "Welcome Cards" in the pews and place them in the church offering plate. The "Welcome Cards" in the pew are for prayer requests, general requests, and if you are new and visiting Zion. The "Welcome Cards" are confidential and go directly to Pastor.

Stand

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Brief silence

Gracious heavenly Father, we give You thanks for the many blessings You have graciously bestowed upon us. Give us wisdom to use these gifts rightly. Protect us from all greed and selfishness that would turn any of Your gifts into idols, and grant us faithfulness even in the midst of abundance. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Send laborers into Your harvest, O Lord. Fill them with Your wisdom, that they would be faithful stewards of Your mysteries, making known Your gracious visitation in the Holy Word and Sacraments, which deliver eternal salvation to those who hear and receive in faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Defend Your Church throughout the world, O Lord. Give strength to our brothers and sisters in Christ who experience persecution, and turn the hearts of our enemies, that they would be brought to repentance and faith and joined to the fellowship of all believers. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Bless the relief agencies of our Synod and all other groups who provide relief and aid to those in need. Let compassion and mercy be their guiding light, and give wisdom and discernment to those who administer these agencies, that their use of

resources would be wise and beneficial. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Bless Donald, our president; Doug, our governor; all those who make and administer our laws; and all judges, that they might serve our country faithfully and make decisions with wisdom. Bless those in law enforcement, that they might serve and protect their communities in safety. Defend all who serve in our military, and give courage to them and their families. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Support and strengthen those who are sick or suffering *including Sandi and Layah*. In the midst of affliction, keep them always focused upon Christ and the everlasting hope they have in Him. If it be Your will, restore them to physical health and strength. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P This morning and throughout this week we hold before You in prayer, Joseph and Faith Greenmyer

C Heavenly Father, we ask that in Your unconditional love that you would protect Joseph and Faith from all physical harm and danger and that You would keep them in the certainty of their salvation that they have by grace through faith in Jesus Christ. We also pray that You would enable us, this congregation of Zion, to hold Joseph and Faith in our prayers this week and let them know that we love them in Jesus Christ. Amen.

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 209

L Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

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;

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.

Concluding Collect

P Lord Jesus Christ, giver and perfecter of our faith, we thank and praise You for continuing among us the preaching of Your Gospel for our instruction and edification. Send Your blessing upon the Word, which has been spoken to us, and by Your Holy Spirit increase our saving knowledge of You, that day by day we may be strengthened in the divine truth and remain steadfast in Your grace. Give us strength to fight the good fight and by faith to overcome all the temptations of Satan, the flesh, and the world so that we may finally receive the salvation of our souls; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever

C Amen.

Benedicamus and Benediction

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

Sit

Hymn: 912 Christ Is Our Cornerstone

LSB 912

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Divine Service, Setting Four from Lutheran Service Book

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MISSION OF THE MONTH – Gwinner First Responders

The First Responders are a group of men and women from our community who give their time and service when called upon. They have jobs and families; but when 911 calls, they drop everything in order to help those in need. These folks are a valuable resource in our community. God has certainly blessed Gwinner with a dedicated group of individuals who are willing to serve when emergencies arise. The First Responders are always in need of updated equipment and supplies.

Prayer Family

Joseph and Faith Greenmyer
647 Seward St Seward, NE 68434

Cleaners in God's House of Zion

Please remember to sign your name on the chart on the bulletin board by the kitchen noting which area of the church you have cleaned

Aug 5-11: General Church Cleaning

Ushers for the Month of August

5th Alex & Sam Opdahl

12th Gerg & Janet Nelson

19th Duane & Sharon Orth

26th Bob Orn

Pastor's Contact Information

During the vacancy, Pastor Hambleton will not be holding office hours.

However, he will be available via phone at 701-680-8233 or email:

aaron.hambleton@gmail.com

*Copies of the sermon are available on the table in the narthex
and on the website **www.ziongwinner.org***

Parish Assistant Office Hours

Monday- Thursday 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

Friday Off

Email: secretary@ziongwinner.org

This Week in the Congregation of Zion

Today **8:30 am** Divine Service
Wed 8th **NO** Pastor's Bible Study
Sun 12th **8:30 am** Divine Service with Holy Communion

Calling all Cleaners - Your help is needed!!!

General church cleaning will be done this week! A chart has been made for each area to be cleaned and will be posted on the bulletin board by the kitchen. A chairman will be contacting you. If you are not on the list, but are willing to help, please contact Cindy Enderson at cjenderson@gmail.com Thanks so much - many hands make light work!

Attendance & Giving at Zion

Sunday, July 29

Worship Attendance: na

Category	Received Last Week	Received for July	Monthly Goal	YTD Received	YTD Needed	Over/Under Goal
General Fund	\$ 2,014.00	\$ 4,539.00	\$ 11,130.83	\$ 60,790.70	\$ 69,353.65	\$ (8,562.95)
Misc. Income	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.30		\$ 1,802.02		
Building Fund	\$ 100.00	\$ 170.00		\$ 3,557.50		
Cemetery Fund	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 195.00		
Memorial Fund	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 70.00		
Vehicle Fund	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -		
ND Missions	\$ 425.00	\$ 965.00	\$ 2,166.67	\$ 13,035.50	\$ 13,500.00	\$ (464.50)
Mission of Month	\$ 330.00	\$ 615.00				
Helping Hands	\$ -	\$ -				
Higher Things	\$ -	\$ -				

Zion's Income Goal: \$ 133,570.00

ND Mission Goal: \$ 26,000.00

Did you know.... We now offer the convenience of electronic giving?

Simply follow these easy steps:

- 1) Visit the church website at www.zionwinner.org
- 2) Click on the **Online Giving** tab at the top of the page,
- 3) Click on the Sign In/Sign Up button, then
- 4) Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.

As you contemplate future contributions, please consider electronic giving.

Prayer and Petitions



Aug 5, 2018

Please let Pastor know if you want a request added or removed

Health Concerns

- Sandi Bergemann recovering from a broken foot
- Layah Hoechst undergoing surgeries to remove her trach

Remembering Our Homebound

Alice Decker at Vets Home

Lois Enderson at Park Side Lisbon

Bob Bergeson at Park Side Lisbon

Lorrie Eiter at Forman Manor

Pearl Rehborg at Forman Manor

Marjorie Fuss at home in Gwinner

Sandi Bergemann at Elim Care Center in Fargo

Grieving With The Family

Remembering Those Who Serve

Rick Gaden and Sy Hansana:

National Guard

Nate Utecht:

Serving in the US Navy

Chris Mathias, Jason Asche, AJ Enderson, Bob Orn:

First Responders and Volunteer Fire & Rescue

4. Are there any new things God wants Zion to be doing which it is NOT doing now?

5. What things that Zion is doing now do you believe God is calling to be done better?

6. What are two things that you believe Zion needs more than anything else right now, to be most effective?

7. What do you believe are the most important personal qualities for a pastor to have?

8. What things do you think are most necessary for maintaining good relationships between pastor and people?