

The Holy Trinity



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HOLY COMMUNION

Setting Two

*Regular font: Worship Leader; **Bold font: Congregation***

WELCOME

Please stand

GATHERING

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father,
and of the + 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 neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.

You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,

but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.

You surround us with patience, kindness,

and generosity,

but we 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 + Christ,

and through the power of the Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.

Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

Amen.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

Please be seated

FIRST READING: **Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31**

- ¹ Does not wisdom call,
and does not understanding raise her voice?
² On the heights, beside the way,
at the crossroads she takes her stand;
³ beside the gates in front of the town,
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:
⁴ “To you, O people, I call,
and my cry is to all that live.
²² The LORD created me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of long ago.
²³ Ages ago I was set up,
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.
²⁴ When there were no depths I was brought forth,
when there were no springs abounding with water.
²⁵ Before the mountains had been shaped,
before the hills, I was brought forth—
²⁶ when he had not yet made earth and fields,
or the world’s first bits of soil.
²⁷ When he established the heavens, I was there,
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,
²⁸ when he made firm the skies above,
when he established the fountains of the deep,
²⁹ when he assigned to the sea its limit,

so that the waters might not transgress his command,
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,
³⁰ then I was beside him, like a master worker;
and I was daily his delight,
rejoicing before him always,
³¹ rejoicing in his inhabited world
and delighting in the human race.”

Word of God. Word of Life.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8

¹ O LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!—
² **you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the
mouths of infants and children;
you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the
foe and avenger.**
³ When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
⁴ **what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,
human beings that you should care for them?**
⁵ Yet you have made them little less than divine;
with glory and honor you crown them.
⁶ **You have made them rule over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet:**
⁷ all flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts of the field,
⁸ **the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**
⁹ O LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-5

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God
through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained
access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of
sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our
sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴ and
endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and

hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL READING

John 16:12-15

The holy gospel according to John the 16th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, ¹² "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

Pastor Sara Stall-Ryan

One Minute of Silence is kept for reflection.

Please stand

HYMN OF THE DAY "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine" **ELW 398**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

A brief silence.

Abiding God, your love pours into your whole church, creating faith and bestowing hope. Fill all the baptized with these good gifts in our various callings. Gather your church in every place and expression into the unity of your Spirit. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Creating God, your name is majestic in all the earth, and we are filled with awe at your creation. Renew this planet and all its wonders: springs abounding with water, earth and soil, beasts of the field, birds of the air, and fish of the sea. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Sovereign God, you delight in the whole human race. On this week of Juneteenth, bring an end to racial oppression and heal the wounds of racial trauma. Grant us your wisdom, so that all people, especially those in authority, work for the life and freedom of others. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Compassionate God, your mindful care for us is everlasting. Give peace to all who are troubled, endurance to all who suffer, deliverance to all who are afflicted, and healing to all who are sick (especially). God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Living God, your glory appears in our shared life. On this Father's Day, give to all fathers and father figures gentle hearts and strong spirits, heal the wounds in our families, and comfort those for whom this day brings pain. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Eternal God, your hope does not disappoint. We give you thanks for all who have died in the hope of the resurrection (especially the Emanuel Nine, martyrs). Hold us in our grief, and bring us at last to fullness of life in you. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

PEACE

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MEAL

Please be seated

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER *(remain seated)*

Creator God,
in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good
and the harvest is plentiful.
Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth
and our labor,
that we may work for the good of all;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

Please kneel or sit

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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It is indeed right...

LORD'S PRAYER

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

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LAMB OF GOD

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COMMUNION HYMNS

“Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether”

ELW 470

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

ELW 471

Please stand

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

SENDING

BLESSING

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.

SENDING HYMN “Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen”

ELW 548

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude:

SERVING TODAY

Chris Darby - Lector
Pauline Neumann - Worship Assistant
Rick Borg, Donna Berndtson, Adam Stall-Ryan
- Ushers/Greeters
Marie DeGraff - Altar Guild
Sarah Dzialo - Organist

Prayer List

For Health:	Marjorie F	Karen R	For Safety:
Joyce G	Jessica A	Stacey T	Andrew C
Bill B	Charlotte D	Pat J	Todd S
Cathy L	Jonathan A	Lois B	Michael C
Marion B	Pauline N	Bruce G	Tyler G
Lily V	Curt R	Peter W	Erik B
Holly N	Matthew S	Loee M	Justin Earl B
Dylan G	Phil O	Charline C	Evan G
Lisa A	Joan A	Shirley C	David P
Aiden J	Diane E	Family of	
Helen A	Dick C	Blademil T	
Matthew A	Milluzzo and		
Bud J	Neri families		



Starting **tomorrow**, June 16th, the east side driveway will be torn up and repaved. We need to stay off of it for about 1 week. Anyone coming to the church next week, please be very careful turning in and out of the parking lot.



* Anyone interested in continuing Coffee *
* Hour during the summer months, can sign *
* up for a Sunday on the sign up sheet in the *
* narthex. It doesn't have to be anything *
* fancy, just a simple snack to share for a time of *
* fellowship after the church service. There is Keurig *
* machine in the lounge if anyone wants coffee. *



Anyone interested in renting the Promised Land or Fellowship Hall, should call the church office for price and availability.



The Word in Season Daily Devotions for July, August and September are available in the Narthex and the Red Box outside the door with the doorbell.



The altar flowers are given in memory of **Jim Gustafson**, who would have celebrated his 70th birthday on June 18th. With love, from the family.

Notice:

The church office will be closed on Fridays during the summer months. For any emergencies, please contact Pastor Sara or Kathy Richards.



With summer weather around the corner, our town's youth will soon be home and on school vacation and in need of snacks during time off. The **Worship & Music Committee** thought it would be a great idea to collect snack donations for the summer months to be donated to the Food Bank. We will be collecting starting in June. A few Ideas for items would be:

juice boxes or canned juices	packaged peanut butter &
fruit in small containers	crackers
applesauce in small	packaged cheese & crackers
containers	breakfast bars (Belvita,
boxed raisins	Kind or any brand)
microwavable popcorn	granola bars
gummy fruit snacks	cookies
peanut butter	crackers
pretzels	chips

If someone you meet today needs clothing, and that someone has no money, where will you send them?

Goodwill Good Neighbor Donation Cards are so important.

Fill out the card with your name and date and give it to the Goodwill employee along with your donations of **textiles, shoes and clothing** (these are the only items credit is given for).

Goodwill then supplies vouchers to St. Vincent De Paul based on the weight of donated clothing. The vouchers are given to people in need who can use them at Goodwill to purchase (free) clothing. **This program works by USING A SPECIFIC DONATION CARD** which identifies SVDM as the beneficiary agency of record (cards now available!).

See Donna Berndtson for the donation cards and details.



Summer Worship

Worship will continue to be held in the Sanctuary during the summer months, but on the last Sunday of each month we will have outdoor worship on the front lawn in front of the Fellowship Hall (weather permitting). The dates are:

June 29

July 27

August 31

Bring your own chair(s), the more comfortable the better! Bring a hat, sunglasses, water, anything to make you comfortable if it's sunny and hot.



Let Faith and Freedom Ring

Zion is participating in the Birdies for Charity platform of the Travelers Championship. Donations will go toward the Bell Restoration project and the Capital Improvements fund. Zion receives a 15% bonus on all donations made through Birdies for Charity from now until June 22, 2025.

Scan the QR code to make online donations (<https://qrco.de/faithandfreedomring>) and select Zion Lutheran Church, Portland CT from the list. To pay by check, print a donation card from the website or pick one up in the narthex. All donations by check require a minimum of \$200.

Donations will be allocated to the Bell Restoration **unless the donor notifies Zion that the donation is for Capital Improvements.** Email Valerie at zion.lutheran@snet.net to specify.



Today: June 15, 2025

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9:00 a.m. Worship/Communion

11:30 a.m. True Vine Church

This Week:

Monday: 6:00 p.m. N/A

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. Council

Friday: 7:00 p.m. N/A

Next Sunday:

June 22, 2025

Second Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m. Worship/Communion

11:30 a.m. True Vine Church



Attendance: Last week - 51; Last year - 35

Next weeks readings: Isaiah 65:1-9; Psalm 22:19-28;
Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

MISSION STATEMENT

As members of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, we exist to honor and proclaim the life of Jesus Christ through our words, actions and deeds.

VISION STATEMENT

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church shall be a prominent magnet in the community to draw people to a new life in Jesus Christ.

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