

Zion Lutheran Church

Mascoutah, Illinois

June 28, 2020

Third Sunday after Trinity



In the Name of Christ Jesus our Lord, we bid you a warm welcome to this worship service. May your experience of worship and fellowship this morning be spiritually refreshing and ready you for the week ahead.



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A Prayer to Begin Worship

We pray You, merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ and our Father through Jesus Christ, fill the clamoring needs of our souls, the pangs of our bodies, and the yearning of our intellect with Christ, for we are whole and free only as He meets us in our bondage and our helplessness; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with You and the Holy Spirit are one God with dominion over us forever.

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Confession and Absolution

Hymn

God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It

LSB 594

- 1 God's own child, I gladly say it:
I am baptized into Christ!
He, because I could not pay it,
Gave my full redemption price.
Do I need earth's treasures many?
I have one worth more than any
That brought me salvation free
Lasting to eternity!
- 2 Sin, disturb my soul no longer:
I am baptized into Christ!
I have comfort even stronger:
Jesus' cleansing sacrifice.
Should a guilty conscience seize me
Since my Baptism did release me
In a dear forgiving flood,
Sprinkling me with Jesus' blood?
- 3 Satan, hear this proclamation:
I am baptized into Christ!
Drop your ugly accusation,
I am not so soon enticed.
Now that to the font I've traveled,
All your might has come unraveled,
And, against your tyranny,
God, my Lord, unites with me!
- 4 Death, you cannot end my gladness:
I am baptized into Christ!
When I die, I leave all sadness
To inherit paradise!
Though I lie in dust and ashes
Faith's assurance brightly flashes:
Baptism has the strength divine
To make life immortal mine.

Hymn is continued on the next page

5 **There is nothing worth comparing
To this lifelong comfort sure!
Open-eyed my grave is staring:
Even there I'll sleep secure.
Though my flesh awaits its raising,
Still my soul continues praising:
I am baptized into Christ;
I'm a child of paradise!**

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Stand

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

Invocation

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

Exhortation

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession with Absolution

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I 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

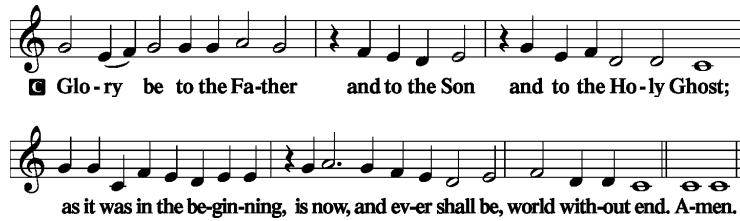
Introit

Ps. 25:1–2a, 5b, 15, 20; antiphon: Ps. 25:16, 18

P Turn to me and be gracious to me,
C **for I am lonely and afflicted.**
P Consider my affliction and my trouble,
C **and forgive all my sins.**
P To You, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
C **O my God, in You I trust; let me not be put to shame.**
P You are the God of my salvation;
C **for You I wait all the day long.**

P My eyes are ever toward the LORD,
C for He will pluck my feet out of the net.
P Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me!
C Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in You.
P Turn to me and be gracious to me,
C for I am lonely and afflicted.
P Consider my affliction and my trouble,
C and forgive all my sins.

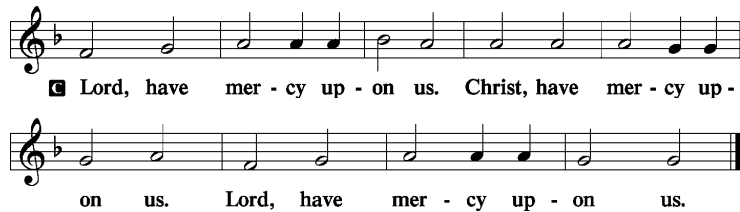
Gloria Patri



C Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;
 as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Kyrie

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

Gloria in Excelsis

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P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward
 men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
 we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
 O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.
 O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in You, without whom nothing is strong and nothing is holy, multiply Your mercy on us that, with You as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Micah 7:18–20

Who is a God like You, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of His inheritance? He does not retain His anger forever, because He delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; He will tread our iniquities under foot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. You will show faithfulness to Jacob and steadfast love to Abraham, as You have sworn to our fathers from the days of old.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Vocal Solo

Bright and Beautiful
(Cary Robinson, soloist)

arr. Mark Hayes

Epistle

1 Timothy 1:12–17

I thank Him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because He judged me faithful, appointing me to His service, though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display His perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in Him for eternal life. To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

Luke 15:11–32

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 15th chapter.

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

And He said, “There was a man who had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.’ And he divided his property between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

“But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.’” And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’ And they began to celebrate.

“Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.’ But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, ‘Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!’ And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.’”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sit

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✝ of the world to come.

Amen.

Hymn

Chief of Sinners Though I Be

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- 1 Chief of sinners though I be,
Jesus shed His blood for me,
Died that I might live on high,
Lives that I might never die.
As the branch is to the vine,
I am His, and He is mine.
- 2 Oh, the height of Jesus' love,
Higher than the heav'ns above,
Deeper than the depths of sea,
Lasting as eternity!
Love that found me—wondrous thought!
Found me when I sought Him not.
- 3 Only Jesus can impart
Balm to heal the wounded heart,
Peace that flows from sin forgiv'n,
Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n,
Faith and hope to walk with God
In the way that Enoch trod.
- 4 Chief of sinners though I be,
Christ is all in all to me;
All my wants to Him are known,
All my sorrows are His own.
He sustains the hidden life
Safe with Him from earthly strife.
- 5 O my Savior, help afford
By Your Spirit and Your Word!
When my wayward heart would stray,
Keep me in the narrow way;
Grace in time of need supply
While I live and when I die.

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Sermon

You Can Always Come Home

Hymn

Children of the Heavenly Father

LSB 725

- 1 Children of the heav'nly Father
Safely in His bosom gather;
Nestling bird nor star in heaven
Such a refuge e'er was given.
- 2 God His own doth tend and nourish;
In His holy courts they flourish.

Hymn continues on the next page.

**From all evil things He spares them;
In His mighty arms He bears them.**

**3 Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord His children sever;
Unto them His grace He showeth,
And their sorrows all He knoweth.**

**4 Though He giveth or He taketh,
God His children ne'er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them pure and holy.**

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Stand

Prayer of the Church

P God of mercy and God of truth, we come before You in worship and praise.

C For sending us Your Son to lead us through the wilderness of this world's sin into the promised land of Your forgiveness, we give You thanks.

P For having found us among the millions of straying and lost sheep, we give You thanks.

C You have proven Yourself to be mighty in deed and plenteous in mercy, for which we praise and adore You.

P And yet, O Lord, in spite of Your loving-kindness toward us, we confess that we have often sinned against You.

C Again and again You have demonstrated Your almighty power by leading us through many troubled waters, but we have sought human resources rather than coming to You.

P For our many sins of disloyalty and failure to acknowledge Your leadership among us, forgive us, O Lord.

C For doubting Your promises and trusting in our own merits, forgive us, O Lord.

P Send us Your Holy Spirit that He may guide us into all truth.

C As You have had patience with us, so may we have patience with others.

P As You have found us lost sinners and brought us back to Your fold, so may we diligently seek the lost and bring them to the knowledge of salvation through Christ.

C As heaven rejoices over one sinner who repents, give us the joy of leading many to Christ.

WE GO TO THE LORD IN PRAYER FOR

✠ Lucas Orr, Kennedy Underwood, Ryan Spomer, Michael Ganey, Rylan Ganey, Chris Hatcher, and Madelyn Krausz, as they celebrate their baptismal anniversaries this week.

✠ Noah Overmyer and Maya Baro, as they were baptized this past month.

✠ The Walter and Weier families, as they mourn the sudden death of Bob's brother-in-law, Justin Love.

✠ Roger and Kim Drinnon and family, as Roger enters hospice care.

✠ Glen Aukamp, brother of Lori Clayton, as he recovers from surgery to set broken bones following a motorcycle accident.

✠ Norman Rowold and Ernie Lockwood, who are in extended care facilities.

✠ Marlene Lockwood, as she retires after 28 years of teaching at Zion Preschool and 21 years as serving as the Preschool Director!

✠ Zion's Men's Club and Ladies Aid, and Youth Group.

✠ Faithfulness in personal witness and evangelism.

P May Your mercy, O Lord, be a source of strength to the weak, healing power to the sick, and hope to the discouraged.

C To You, the only true God, through Jesus Christ be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Sit

Offering

*ONLINE GIVING IS HERE! You can now make offerings online during the Easter season and during the COVID-19 emergency! Throughout the year, many of you already support the congregation with your time, talent and financial contributions. But greater seasonal participation is always welcome, especially as we cannot meet in person to worship at Zion. I encourage you to consider our new online giving program. We accept donations made from your PayPal account. It takes just a few minutes to set up a one-time or recurring giving plan. To learn more, visit the church website www.zionmascoutah.org/online-giving/ to locate the donation link. **We also continue to accept donations from envelopes mailed in.** We thank you for the continued support during these unique and trying times!*

Stand

Offertory

LSB 192

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.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 194

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spir - it.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up un - to the Lord.
Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



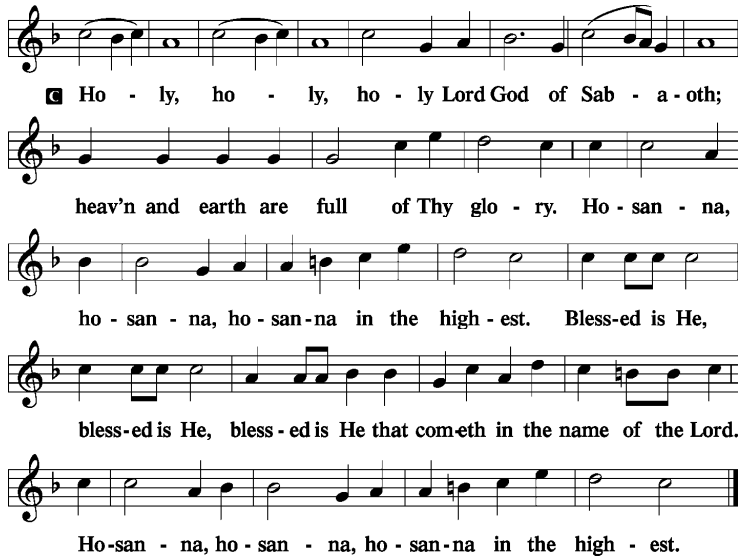
C It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface (Full)

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 195



Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

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.

The Words of Our Lord

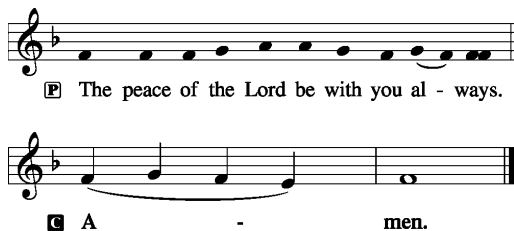
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P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

LSB 197



Agnus Dei

LSB 198

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Sit

Distribution

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The Dismissal

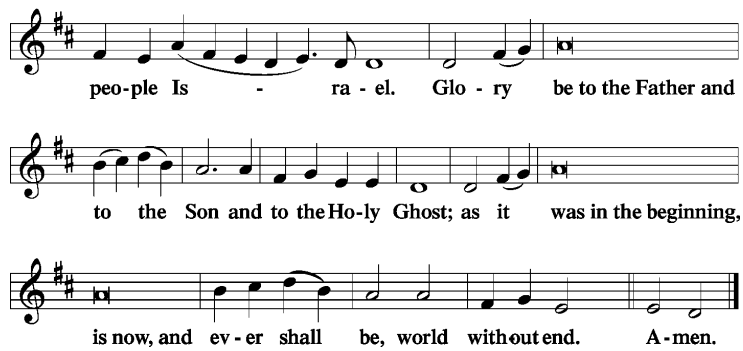
P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

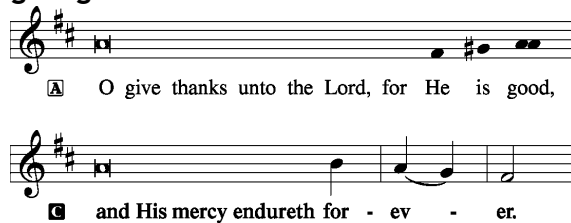
C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de-part in peace ac-cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast pre-pared be-fore the face of all people, a light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the glo-ry of Thy



peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

LSB 200



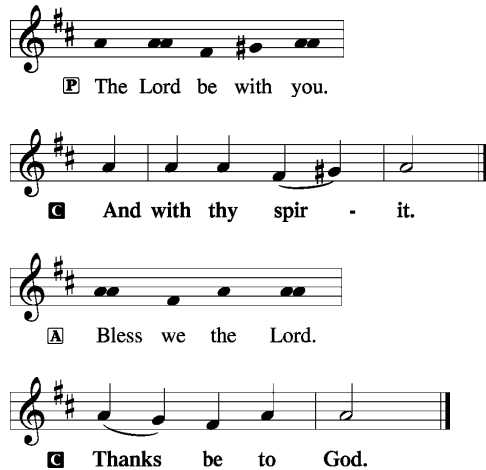
A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

Salutation and Benedicamus



P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spir - it.
A Bless we the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make

His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Sit

Hymn

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

LSB 922

- 1 **Go, My children, with My blessing, Never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you; You are My own.
In My love's baptismal river I have made you Mine forever.
Go, My children, with My blessing— You are My own.**
- 2 **Go, My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, What I can cure.
Here you heard My dear Son's story; Here you touched Him, saw His glory.
Go, My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.**
- 3 **Go, My children, fed and nourished, Closer to Me;
Grow in love and love by serving, Joyful and free.
Here My Spirit's power filled you; Here His tender comfort stilled you.
Go, My children, fed and nourished, Joyful and free.**
- 4 **I the Lord will bless and keep you And give you peace;
I the Lord will smile upon you And give you peace:
I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
Go, My children; I will keep you And give you peace.**

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LIFE AND LIVING ITEMS AT ZION



ZION RE-OPENING

Zion, Mascoutah will begin a limited reopening for public worship starting the first weekend of July. Attendance at services will be capped at 65 people, which is 25% of the building capacity. In order to accommodate more members for in-person worship, starting in July we will be adding a Saturday night service at 7:00 as well as the Sunday morning 10:00 service. (The Sunday morning 10:00 service will continue to be shared on Facebook Live for those whose health restrictions do not allow public gatherings yet or for those who can't attend on Saturday or Sunday in person.) **YOU WILL NEED TO MAKE RESERVATIONS TO ATTEND EITHER THE SATURDAY NIGHT OR SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES.** Please contact Robin at the church office at 618-566-7345 or email her at churchoffice@zionmascoutah.org and make sure to state how many will be attending the service. **YOUR SEATING LOCATION WILL BE ASSIGNED TO MAXIMIZE SEATING SPACE IN THE SANCTUARY.** Please be patient and understanding as we try to make worship available for the most members. You will likely NOT be able to sit in your "usual seat" due to distancing requirements. We will need everyone to be patient and respectful as we balance the desire to be in worship with following the distancing guidelines suggested for churches. CDC Guidelines indicate that masks should be worn at all times when a 6-foot distance cannot be maintained. For this reason, you will be asked to wear masks from when you leave your car until you are seated in a pew in the sanctuary, and again when you leave the pews to return to your cars. We cannot assure 6 feet of separation as people walk through the narthex/lobby, so you will need to wear masks while entering and leaving. Once in a pew, the Elders have measured to make sure members maintain a 6 foot separation between families, so masks may be removed in the pews. (Of course, you are certainly welcome to keep your mask on the entire time.) Thank you for observing the mask policy. Thank you in advance for your understanding!

THANK YOU TO MARLENE LOCKWOOD

Zion Lutheran Church and Preschool would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to Marlene Lockwood, "Miss Marlene" to hundreds of students, as she retires on June 30, 2020. Marlene started teaching at Zion in 1992, and became the Preschool Director in 1999. During her time as Director, Zion has been recognized as the most outstanding preschool program in Mascoutah, and even years after students graduate from Zion Preschool, teachers can notice the difference Zion preschool made in the students who attended here with Miss Marlene. THANK YOU to Marlene for 28 years of service as a preschool teacher, and for 21 years of service as the Preschool Director. God's blessings be with you as you enjoy your retirement!

THANK YOU FROM ALICE AND RAMONA WITTE

We would like to send a very heart-felt thank you for the drive-by birthday party and for all the cards sent for Alice's 90th birthday! It was so wonderful to be so blessed by God and our Zion family.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR RETURNING

After a break for a couple months, we will again be able to have sign-ups to place flowers on the altar for Sunday mornings. Please call the church office at (618) 566-7345 to be put on the flowers list and then call Dawn Ahner at (618) 588-4215 or email her at ahnerflorist@gmail.com to arrange for flowers. July 12, August 2, and August 23 are already reserved, but all other dates this summer are available for placing flowers!

COMMUNION SCHEDULE FOR JUNE

Through the month of June, Zion will be incorporating both "DRIVE-UP COMMUNION" and "PARKING LOT COMMUNION" formats as we return to our regular Communion schedule. Today, we will have two "PARKING LOT COMMUNION" services at 2:00 PM and 3:00 PM. (Please note, the services are at 2 and 3, not 2 and 4 as in May.) As with the previous "PARKING LOT COMMUNION" service we have asked you to register through the week for today's service, so we can have trays pre-set. Here is a schedule through the end of June. June 28—"DRIVE-UP COMMUNION" from 11:15 AM until Noon

FAMILY BIBLE STUDY/SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Zion is continuing to offer a discussion-based Bible Study around C.S. Lewis' timeless series *The Chronicles of Narnia*. In this book series, C.S. Lewis uses allegory to make Scriptural concepts accessible to children, but he cleverly does it in a way that challenges adults to think more deeply about what they're reading. Even colleges have classes studying the books (including the Seminary!). With so many levels of engagement going on, it might be difficult to discuss them, so we're going to center this study around the family: Parents, you will be the teachers! A leader will facilitate discussion, and get the ball rolling. Sem. Stein has taught through June, Lori Clayton will teach in July, and Marianne McDaniel will teach in August. But you're going to help your family apply what we discuss. Nobody knows your kids like you do. We will meet via Zoom during a slightly shortened Bible Study hour from 9:00 to 9:40 AM each Sunday morning over the summer.

Reading Assignments:

June 28: Chapters 13-17 of *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*.

July 5: Chapters 1-4 of *Prince Caspian*

July 12: Chapters 5-8 of *Prince Caspian*

July 19: Chapters 9-11 of *Prince Caspian*

July 26: Chapters 12-15 of *Prince Caspian*

ONLINE GIVING IS HERE!

You can now make offerings online during the COVID-19 emergency! Throughout the year, many of you already support the congregation with your time, talent and financial contributions. But greater seasonal participation is always welcome, especially as we cannot meet in person to worship at Zion. I encourage you to consider our new online giving program. We accept donations made from your PayPal account. It takes just a few minutes to set up a one-time or recurring giving plan. To learn more, visit the church website www.zionmascoutah.org/online-giving/ to locate the donation link. We thank you for the continued support during these unique and trying times! Your humble servant in Christ, Torrin Suedmeyer, President

MASCOUTAH TOWNSHIP 24th ANNUAL SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

In an effort to prepare for the anticipated resumption of in-person schooling in August, the Mascoutah Township is gearing up for their 24th Annual School Supply Drive. In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, the generous support of the community is crucial to ensure the less fortunate children are offered a fair start to the school year. Last year, nearly 100 children were provided with school supplies, backpacks and shoes. We believe the need for these supplies will increase as a result of these unprecedented economic times. Donations of supplies or cash need to be contributed by July 23rd to 622 W. Main St., Mascoutah, or call 566-7132. See the list of items needed on the table in the Narthex.

LISTEN TO WORLDWIDE KFUE AM850

KFUE Radio, AM850 & kfue.org, a media ministry extension of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you on AM850 & kfue.org via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at kfue.org and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @KFUEradio on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#). This week on KFUE AM850 & kfue.org, continue the series on Play and Mental Health with Deaconess Heidi Goehmann on The Coffee Hour (6/29 at 9:00 a.m.), study James 4-5 on Sharper Iron's "Wisdom from Above" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), and learn about our Lutheran doctrine on Concord Matters (6/30 at 2:00 p.m.). Find these programs on demand at kfue.org!

YOUR LIFELINE TO THE LUTHERAN WORLDVIEW

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: A Lutheran Justification for Political Resistance, The Transgender Craze Seducing Our Daughters, Lutheran Piety in the Home, Mary Visiting Elizabeth and more. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUE, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

THE FLOWERS ON THE LORD'S ALTAR

The flowers on the Lord's altar are given to the glory of God by the Clayton family in honor of Pastor Clayton's 20th Anniversary of ordination into the Office of the Holy Ministry on July 2, 2000.

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton

THOSE WHO SERVE SATURDAY, JULY 4

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THOSE WHO SERVE NEXT WEEK, JULY 5

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THINGS WE ARE DOING AT ZION

Sun.	Bible Class on Zoom	8:45 AM
	Family Class – Narnia Discussion	9:00 AM
	Worship DS III w/communion on FaceBook Live	10:00 AM
	Drive Up Communion	11:15 AM - noon
Fri.	<i>Independence Day Observed – Office Closed</i>	
	Senior Meal Delivery	10:30 AM
Sat.	Worship DS II n/communion	7:00 PM
Sun.	Bible Class on Zoom	8:45 AM
	Worship DS II n/communion	10:00 AM