

WHERE YOUR
TREASURE IS,
THERE YOUR
HEART
WILL BE ALSO

LUKE 12:34

Edinburg Lutheran Parish
St. Jacob's & Zion Congregations

August 10, 2025

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Remembering those who have requested prayer: Tim

Ambrose, Steve Campbell, Sophia Gibb, Madeline Litten, Kitty Martz, Barry Sweitzer, Judy Tharp; **and further remember...**

Steve Baker, Skip Barton, Peggy Baseler, Terry Coleman, Leannah Comer, Keith Cubbage, Lori Dau, Burgess Dellinger, Roe Dias, Karen Doane, Kevin Dysart, Carla Eickenhorst, Virginia Estep,

Shelby Eye, Landon Fadely, Eileen Fisher, Diane Funkhouser, Harper Gochenour, Luther Gochenour, Peggy Graff, Podge Green, Terry Grigsby, Belle Hamman, Martha Harlow, Mike Harlow, Tim Harlow, Louise Hawkins,

Betty Helsley, Mary Hoffman, Susan Holsinger, Alan & Pat Hoyle, Jay Jarrett, Linda Kosek, Matthew Lamma, Wade Ludwig, Keith Manich, Toby Markley, Bonnie Mason, Ron Moomaw, Jerry Newland, Anna Nilsen, Rick Painter, Bob Perry, Tom & Linda Perry, Karen Polk, Judy Polk, Larry Polk, Kennedy Reynolds, Dennis Rigby, Steve Ritenour, Laurie Robinson, Linda Ryman, Peter Shoemaker, Edward Sine, Jameson Strosnider, Dan Strother, Mark Viola, Gary Wilkins, John Wymer, and Christine Zuniga.

We surround the family and friends of Pastor Jim Baseler in prayer as they gather at Emmanuel (127 E. High St., Woodstock) for family night on Tuesday (6-8 PM) and the Service of the Sure Hope of the Resurrection on Wednesday at 1 PM. All are welcome.

Remembering our schools.... Tuesday, August 12 is the first day of school...how quickly summer flew by! Today we remember our teachers, all the school staff and students, praying God's grace to bless them over the coming academic year.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Next Sunday: August 17 – 10th Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 Worship will be a Service of Holy Communion at Zion.

9:45 Adult Sunday School meets at both churches.

11:00 Worship will be a Service of Holy Communion at St. Jacob's.

Call-in worship is always offered at the 11:00 service.

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DID YOU KNOW ?

Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead after 4 days

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming services: when this bulletin was written, it was unclear if Pastor Katie would be with us on Sunday, August 10, due to illness. So our Communion Services were rescheduled for the following week.

Special Offering for Texas Flood Victims – Thank you to all who have given and contributions have continued to come in through this week, so our total collection will be in next week's bulletin.

St. Jacob's Council will not meet on their usual 2nd Monday night, but rather the meeting will take place while the chicken is cooking at next Saturday's barbecue.

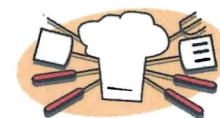
Wednesday in the Word will resume this Wednesday evening, August 13 - 6:00 at Zion. We will pick up our continuing study of 1 Kings and the story of Rehoboam's disobedience.

Family Promise Wish List: Currently we need peanut butter, cereal, chicken noodle or tomato soup, toothpaste for children & adults, and 13 gal. garbage bags. Donations can be left in the entryway of either of our churches and they'll be delivered.

God's Work. Our Hands. – Sunday, September 7 is this annual day ELCA congregations across the country seek to be more visible serving their community. In years past we have had food drives on the front lawn of Zion. We welcome your ideas of what else we might do to highlight the day! Share your thoughts with Pastor Katie!

Luke's Backpack... Keep those grocery bags coming! We go through about 160+ a week for the deliveries, so it is great to have a surplus!

St. Jacob's is having a Chicken BBQ on Saturday, **August 16th**. **Please help spread the word!! \$6.00** per half chicken and pre-orders can be left at 984-9260 or by signing up today! **Now that's something to squawk about!**





9th Sunday after Pentecost

Edinburg Lutheran Parish
Sunday, August 10, 2025

Welcome

*We take a moment to
prepare for worship.*

Confession & Forgiveness

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

Almighty God, to whom all
hearts are open, all desires

*Steve Moomaw & John Lutz on
Sunday, August 3, 2025*

known, and from whom no
secrets are hid: cleanse the
thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your
holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of one another.*

— Silence is kept for reflection —

Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we
have turned from You and given ourselves into the
power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In
Your compassion forgive us our sins, known and
unknown, things we have done and things we have
failed to do. Turn us again to You, and uphold us by
Your Spirit, so that we may live and serve You in
newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and
Lord. Amen.

- Word of Forgiveness -

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn #623 *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*

Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood,
From Thy wounded side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure;
Save from wrath and make me pure.

Not the labor of my hands
Can fulfill Thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone;
Thou must save, and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring,
Simply to the cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress;
Helpless look to Thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly; Wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath,
When mine eyes shall close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown,
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee.

Apostolic 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.

Kyrie (Spoken)

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world,
for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity
of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy place, and for all who offer here their
worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen**

Hymn of Praise # 597 *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
no merit of my own I claim,
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain: On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
in ev'ry high and stormy gale
my anchor holds within the veil. **Refrain**

His oath, His covenant, His blood
sustain me in the raging flood;
when all supports are washed away,
He then is all my hope and stay.

Refrain: On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
oh, may I then in Him be found,
clothed in His righteousness alone,
redeemed to stand before the throne! **Refrain**

Prayer of the Day

Today's Readings Insert



God's Word

Genesis 15:1-6

Psalm 33

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

The Gospel Acclamation



The Gospel

Luke 12:32-40

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 12th Chapter, beginning with the 32nd verse.

Glory to You, O Lord.

The Reading

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You,
O Christ.**



Sermon

Hymn of the Day #764 *Have No Fear, Little Flock*

Have no fear, little flock; have no fear little flock,
For the Father has chosen
to give you the kingdom; have no fear little flock.

Have good cheer, little flock;
have good cheer, little flock;
For the Father will keep you in His love forever;
have good cheer little flock.

Praise the Lord high above;
Praise the Lord high above,
For God stoops down to heal you,
uplift and restore you; Praise the Lord, high above.

Offertory Prayer

God of grace, Your love reaches to the heavens, and
Your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what
we offer to Your service: our time, our gifts, our abilities,
and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and
generosity towards our neighbor in the name of the One
who saves us, now and always. **Amen.**

Offertory #885 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.**



**On the third day He rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Lord in Your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in Your kingdom
and teach us to pray...



**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.**

Blessing

Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face shine upon you,
And be gracious to you; The Lord lift up His countenance
upon you, + and give you peace. **Amen**

Sending Hymn # 632 O God, Our Hope, In Ages Past

O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:

Under the shadow of your throne
your saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood
or earth received its frame,
from everlasting you are God,
to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in your sight are like an evening gone,
short as the watch that ends the night
before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all our years away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.

O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles
last and our eternal home.

Sending Go in peace and serve in Jesus' name.
Thanks be to God.



*August 7, 2022....the last time we heard these lessons,
Zion had the 8:30 service and St. Jacob's the 11:00 service.*



Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah

herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, “as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.”

¹³All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Gospel

Luke 12:32-40

[Jesus said:] “Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys.

³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵“Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he

comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹“But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”



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Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading

Genesis 15:1-6

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” ²But Abram said, “O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” ⁴But the word

of the LORD came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” ⁵He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” ⁶And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Psalm

Psalm 33:12-22; tone 4



Happy is the nation
whose God ¹ is the LORD!

Happy the people
chosen to ¹ be God’s heritage!

¹³**The LORD looks ¹ down from heaven,
and sees all ¹ humankind.**

¹⁴God sits firmly en- ¹ throned
and watches

all who dwell ¹ on the earth.

¹⁵**God fashions ¹ all their hearts
and observes ¹ all their deeds.**

¹⁶A king is not saved

by the size ¹ of the army,

nor are warriors rescued

by ¹ their great strength.

¹⁷**The horse gives vain ¹ hope for victory;
despite its great strength
it ¹ cannot save.**

¹⁸Truly, your eye is upon those
who fear ¹ you, O LORD,

upon those
who wait for your ¹ steadfast love,

¹⁹**to deliver their ¹ lives from death,
and to keep them alive
in ¹ time of famine.**

²⁰Our innermost being waits for ¹ you,
O LORD,

our helper ¹ and our shield.

²¹**Surely, our heart rejoic- ¹ es in you,
for in your holy name
we ¹ put our trust.**

²²Let your lovingkindness, O LORD,
¹ be upon us,

even as we place our ¹ hope in you.