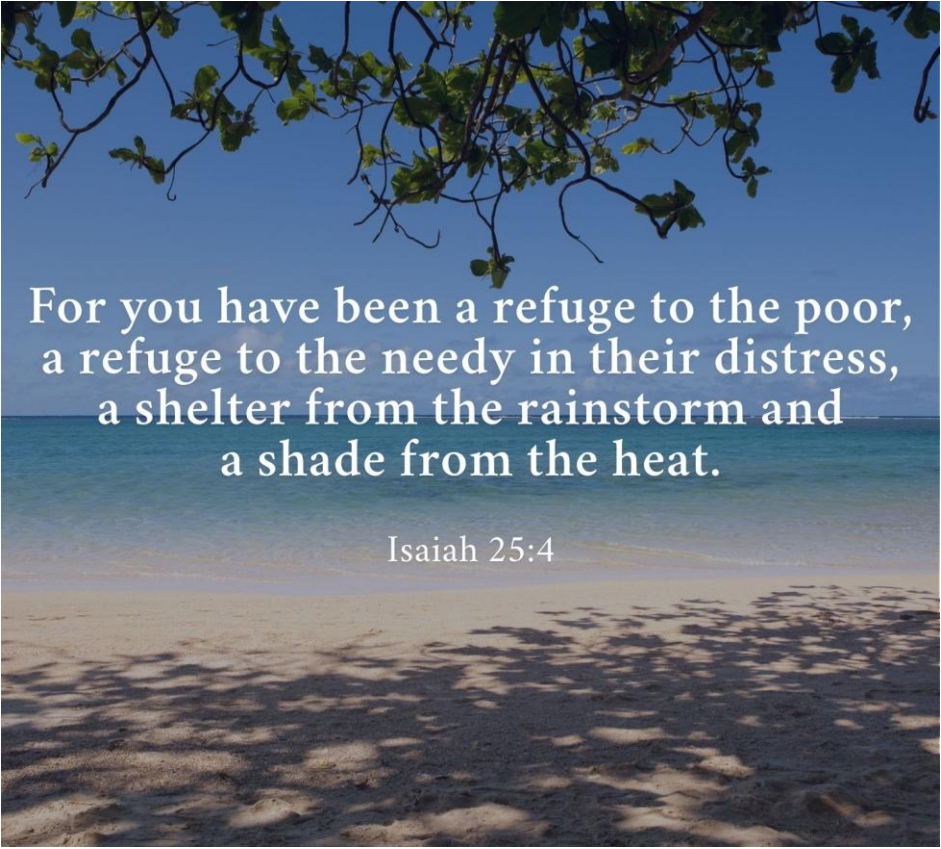


## Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 22, 2025



For you have been a refuge to the poor,  
a refuge to the needy in their distress,  
a shelter from the rainstorm and  
a shade from the heat.

Isaiah 25:4

*This Sunday's texts paint startling pictures of the horrific nature of sin. The church's repeated celebration of holy communion counters that tragic reality in a continued showing forth of the death of Jesus until he comes again. It is a dramatic declaration of "how much God has done for you."*



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# Welcome to Zion!

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***This is the day that the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.***  
(Psalm 118:24)

Welcome – whether this is your home congregation or your first visit, we're glad you're here!

We welcome all people in the name of Christ to experience God's goodness and grace in Word, water, and meal. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, there is a place for you to belong at Zion.

## Get Connected at Zion

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The best ways to stay connected are to visit our website, follow us on social media (@zionchurchdfb on Facebook and Instagram), and subscribe to our weekly newsletter.

## Children in Worship

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Children are God's gift to our church! They are not the future of our church; they are the right now. The way we welcome children here directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another.

We welcome children and their families to sit near the Playground at the front of the sanctuary. There are coloring activities, puzzles, books, and a toolbox to engage in our worship together.

## Giving

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We appreciate your stewardship of treasure, talent, and time at Zion. You may leave your offerings in the offering plates or give online via our website or this QR code.



## Livestreaming

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Zion livestreams all our services on Facebook and YouTube. Any person present gives consent to being filmed or photographed.



Zion is a Reconciling in Christ (RIC) community, and extends God's radical welcome to all people, because we're all created in God's image.

# We Gather

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## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### GATHERING HYMN

ELW Hymn #793

“Be Thou My Vision”

### APOSTOLIC GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.**

Let us pray together... **O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## We Hear & Respond to God’s Word

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### FIRST READING

Isaiah 65:1-9

...The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

### SECOND READING

Galatians 3:23-29

...The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

## GOSPEL

Luke 8:26-39

*Before the reading:* The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*After the reading:* The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ!**

## GOD'S MESSAGE FOR ALL

### HYMN OF THE DAY

“Mighty to Save”

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & SHARING OF PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always! **And also with you.**

### OFFERTORY HYMN & PRAYER

ELW Hymn #531

“The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing”

Let us pray together...**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, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

## We Feast at the Lord's Table

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### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

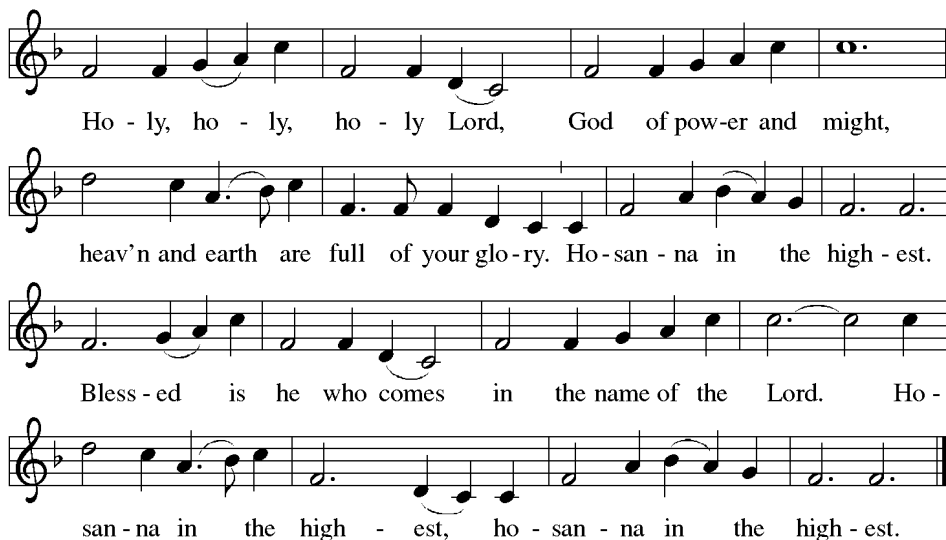
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

### LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

### SHARING THE MEAL

“This is My Body”

*During the summer as we share the meal together, we will sing our favorite hymns and worship songs at the direction of the Cantor.*

# We Are Sent into the World

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## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ comfort, strengthen, and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together...**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.**

## 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

“Draw the Circle Wide”

## DISMISSAL

The worship has ended. Now the service begins.

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

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# Today's Readings

Sunday, June 22, 2025  
2nd Sunday after Pentecost

## Prayer of the Day

O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## First Reading

Isaiah 65:1-9

I was ready to be sought out by those who  
did not ask,  
to be found by those who did not  
seek me.

I said, "Here I am, here I am,"  
to a nation that did not call on my  
name.

<sup>2</sup>I held out my hands all day long  
to a rebellious people,  
who walk in a way that is not good,  
following their own devices;

<sup>3</sup>a people who provoke me  
to my face continually,  
sacrificing in gardens  
and offering incense on bricks;

<sup>4</sup>who sit inside tombs,  
and spend the night in secret places;  
who eat swine's flesh,  
with broth of abominable things in their  
vessels;

<sup>5</sup>who say, "Keep to yourself,  
do not come near me, for I am too holy  
for you."

These are a smoke in my nostrils,

a fire that burns all day long.

<sup>6</sup>See, it is written before me:

I will not keep silent, but I will repay;  
I will indeed repay into their laps

<sup>7</sup>their iniquities and their ancestors'  
iniquities together,

says the LORD;

because they offered incense on the  
mountains

and reviled me on the hills,  
I will measure into their laps  
full payment for their actions.

<sup>8</sup>Thus says the LORD:

As the wine is found in the cluster,  
and they say, "Do not destroy it,  
for there is a blessing in it,"  
so I will do for my servants' sake,  
and not destroy them all.

<sup>9</sup>I will bring forth descendants from Jacob,  
and from Judah inheritors of my  
mountains;

my chosen shall inherit it,  
and my servants shall settle there.

## Psalm

Psalm 22:19-28; tone 6



But you, O LORD, be not <sup>1</sup>far away;  
O my help, hasten <sup>1</sup>to my aid.

<sup>20</sup>Deliver me <sup>1</sup>from the sword,  
my life from the power <sup>1</sup>of the dog.

<sup>21</sup>Save me from the <sup>1</sup>lion's mouth!  
From the horns of wild bulls  
you have <sup>1</sup>rescued me.

<sup>22</sup>I will declare your name <sup>1</sup>to my people;  
in the midst of the assembly  
<sup>1</sup>I will praise you.

<sup>23</sup>You who fear the LORD, give praise!  
All you of Jacob's <sup>1</sup>line, give glory.

Stand in awe of the LORD,  
all you off- <sup>1</sup>spring of Israel.

<sup>24</sup>For the LORD does not despise  
nor abhor the poor in their poverty;  
neither is the LORD's face  
hid- <sup>1</sup>den from them;

but when they cry out,  
<sup>1</sup>the LORD hears them.

*continued*



<sup>25</sup>From you comes my praise  
in the <sup>1</sup> great assembly;

I will perform my vows  
in the sight of those  
who <sup>1</sup> fear the LORD.

<sup>26</sup>The poor shall eat <sup>1</sup> and be satisfied.

Let those who seek the LORD  
give praise!

May your hearts <sup>1</sup> live forever!

<sup>27</sup>All the ends of the earth

shall remember and turn <sup>1</sup> to the LORD;  
all the families of nations  
shall bow <sup>1</sup> before God.

<sup>28</sup>For dominion belongs <sup>1</sup> to the LORD,  
who rules o- <sup>1</sup> ver the nations.

## Second Reading

## Galatians 3:23-29

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup>Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup>But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, <sup>26</sup>for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through

faith. <sup>27</sup>As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. <sup>28</sup>There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup>And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

## Gospel

## Luke 8:26-39

Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup>As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. <sup>28</sup>When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—<sup>29</sup>for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) <sup>30</sup>Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup>They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

<sup>32</sup>Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup>Then the demons came out of

the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

<sup>34</sup>When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup>Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. <sup>36</sup>Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. <sup>37</sup>Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. <sup>38</sup>The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup>"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

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