Eighth Sunday after Pentecost Second Sunday Healing Service July 14, 2024



When Amos reports his vision of God judging Israel for its mistreatment of the poor, he becomes a threat to the power of the priests and the king. John the Baptist also speaks truth to power, and Herod has him killed. In Herod's fear that Jesus is John returned from the dead, we may hear hope for the oppressed: all the prophets killed through the ages are alive in Jesus. We are called to witness to justice in company with them, and to proclaim God's saving love.



ZIONMinistries Under the Cross

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Welcome to Zion!

"It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High, to declare your steadfast love in the morning and your faithfulness by night." (Psalm 92:1-2)

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

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

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 Prayground at the front of the sanctuary. There are coloring activities, puzzles, books, and a toolbox to engage in our worship together.

Giving

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

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

GATHERING HYMN

Hymn #507

"O God of Light"

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 God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

We Hear & Respond to God's Word

FIRST READING

Amos 7:7-15

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

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:3-14

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The Cantor sings the verse. The assembly joins with the refrain:



GOSPEL Mark 6:14-29

Before the reading: The Holy Gospel according to Mark...

Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading: These are the words of our Lord. They are true

and can be trusted. Praise to you, O Christ!

GOD'S MESSAGE FOR ALL

HYMN OF THE DAY

Hymn #697

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FOR HEALING

SHARING OF PEACE

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

OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Feast at the Lord's Table

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also 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 God 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:





EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us: 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

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

Today, worshippers will be invited to receive the laying on of hands and anointing for healing. Those who are worshipping online are invited to make the sign of the cross on their own foreheads, or that of a family member, and say the following words:

Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, send your Holy Spirit upon your servant; drive away all sickness of body and spirit; make whole that which is broken; deliver me/her/him/them from the power of evil; and preserve me/her/him/them in true faith, to share in the power of Christ's resurrection and to serve you with all the saints now and evermore. Amen.

We Are Sent into the World

BLESSING FOR STRENGTH

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...Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have

nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and \pm give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

"Draw the Circle Wide"

Refrain: Draw the circle wide! Draw it wider still...

Let this be our song: no one stands alone.

Standing side by side, draw the circle wide!

Let the dreams we dream be larger than we've ever dreamed before; Let the dream of Christ be in us, open every door! *Refrain*

DISMISSAL

The worship has ended. Now the service begins. Go in peace. You are the Body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

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Summer of Psalms 2024



The Psalms are the mixtape and playlist of the Bible, a collection of songs, poems, and prayers that speak to the human experience. The Psalms remind us that we're not alone, that God's not done, and that, no matter what we're experiencing, we always have reasons to sing.

We continue to read through all 150 psalms this summer and sprinkle in some videos, music, commentary, and teaching along the way. For

more information, or to download the reading plan in its entirety, visit www.zion-lutheran.org/psalms. Make sure you're following Zion on Facebook and Instagram or checking the website regularly to keep up with the videos, music, commentary, and teaching!

Day	Date	Morning	Evening
44	July 14	Psalm 72	Psalm 73
45	July 15	Psalm 74	Psalm 75
46	July 16	Psalm 76	Psalm 77:1-10
47	July 17	Psalm 77:11-20	Psalm 78:1-20
48	July 18	Psalm 78:21-55	Psalm 78:56-72
49	July 19	Psalm 79	Psalm 80
50	July 20	Psalm 81	Psalm 82

Opportunities to Serve Joyfully & Give Selflessly



Nina's Place Weekday Distributions

If you are available during the week and can help with the daily deliveries from Publix and/or Thursday distributions to the Palms (senior affordable housing) and Stanley Terrace (family affordable housing), please reach out to Alyssa Mayer-Saldivar (our own Zion member & DBCC's executive assistant) at (954) 465-4514.

Today's Readings

Sunday, July 14, 2024 8th Sunday after Pentecost

Prayer of the Day

O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Reading

Amos 7:7-15

This is what [the Lord God] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said,

"See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; 9the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,

and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,

and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

¹⁰Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹For thus Amos has said,

'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'"

¹²And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; ¹³but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

¹⁴Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

Psalm

Psalm 85:8-13; tone 2



I will listen

to what the LORD | God is saying; for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their | hearts to you.

⁹Truly, your salvation is very near to | those who fear you,

that your glory may dwell | in our land.

¹⁰Steadfast love and faithfulness have ¹ met together;

righteousness and peace have I kissed each other.

¹¹Faithfulness shall spring up

from the earth,

and righteousness shall look | down from heaven.

¹²The LORD will indeed ¹ grant prosperity, and our land will ¹ yield its increase.

13Righteousness

shall go be- | fore the LORD and shall prepare for | God a pathway.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Iesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, 4just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. 5He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, 6to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. 7In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace 8that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight 9he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his

good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. 11 In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, 12 so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. 13In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; 14this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Gospel Mark 6:14-29

King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching], for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." ¹⁵But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." ¹⁶But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

¹⁷For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." ¹⁹And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, ²⁰for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. ²¹But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his

courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. 22 When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." ²³And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." 24She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." 25 Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." ²⁶The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. 27 Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, 28 brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. 29 When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

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