

Readings

Jeremiah 15:15-21

¹⁵ O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. ¹⁶ Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts. ¹⁷ I did not sit in the company of merry-makers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. ¹⁸ Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. ¹⁹ Therefore thus says the LORD: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. ²⁰ And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the LORD. ²¹ I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

Word of God, word of Life! **Thanks be to God!**

Psalms 26:1-8

Romans 12:9-21

⁹ Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰ love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. ¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for

what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰ No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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Gospel – Matthew 16:21-28

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹ From that time on, [after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah,] Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²² And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." ²³ But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." ²⁴ Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶ For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? ²⁷ "For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸ Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Welcome to Worship. We are blessed that you have chosen to worship with us today. If this is your first time with us, we are especially happy to welcome you and we hope you will feel right at home. The prophet Jeremiah speaks of the incurable wound of his suffering, yet finds in God's words the delight of his heart. When Peter doesn't grasp Jesus' words about suffering, Jesus tells the disciples they will find their lives in losing them. Such sacrificial love is described by Paul when he urges us to associate with the lowly and not repay evil with evil. In worship we gather as a community that we might offer ourselves for the sake of our suffering world.

Please Pray for Those Who are Ill, in Hospital, or

Requested Special Prayers: Viola Antler, Norma Ashick, Sandy Boland, David Brumm, Amy Burgess-Markus, Andrea Fairweather, Florence Felske, Beau Hammel, Earl & Edna Hoelke, Terry Howard, Brian Lance, Judy Lange, Marty Martinell, Barb McDowell, Abbigail Moreau, Peter Oggel-Breedyk, Myrna Pilatzke, Sandra Resmer, Gail Roesler, Paul Roesler, Rene & Helen Sabourin, Robert & Barbara Schoof, Rodney Schultz, Larry Seegmiller, Lisa Seegmiller, Donna Timm, Bill & Wendy Tanner, Colleen Zadow, and Vera Zadow.

Offertory Prayer

All – God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light. Amen.



Post Communion Prayer

All - Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer. Amen.

Today's Scheduled Worship Leaders

Altar Guild: Diane Rull

Counters: Doug & Pauline Malliff, Barbara Walsh

Greeter: Roseanne Campbell

Librarian: Irene Kennedy

Projector Operator: Krista Grosskleg

Sexton: Don Boldt

Ushers: Doug Malliff, Bill Kennedy, Bernie Schutt, Andrew Zadow

Worship Assistant: Ellen Vandersleen

This Week at Zion – September 4 - 10

Mon	Labour Day
	Pastor Paul on Holidays
Until Sept.	15th
Tues 1:30pm	Daily Weekday Exercise Class
7pm	Valley Ramblers Practice
Wed 6pm	ZLW Mtg.
7pm	Property Committee Mtg.
	BULLETIN DEADLINE
Thur 7pm	Mixed Choir Practice

	7pm	Guitars for Vets
Fri	6pm	Wedding Rehearsal
Sat	2pm	Marriage of Emma Nieman & Jordan
		Dombroskie
Sun	10am	Worship Service with Holy Communion

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Blessing **PLEASE NOTE** – The Golden Age meeting for September will be held on Thursday, September 21st instead of September 28th. The hall is in use on September 28th.

FELLOWSHIP OF THE LEAST COIN - The loose offering September 16th and 17th is being designated to the Fellowship of the Least Coin (FLC, an international ecumenical movement of prayer for peace, justice and reconciliation.) Zion's contribution will be added to those received from other participating local churches when the Pembroke Inter-church Council of Women meet September 25th at St. Columbkille's Cathedral for the Ingathering Service of the FLC. These funds, together with funds gathered across Canada and internationally, will be used to assist Christian organizations around the world in projects including literacy, health, social justice, education, leadership development and disaster relief. If you wish your donation added to your year-end total, please enclose in a sealed envelope marked clearly FLC and include your envelope number. When a list of grants issued is received, it will be posted on the ZLW Notice Board.



UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

Peter Claver, priest, missionary to Colombia, died 1654
Saturday, September 9, 2017

Born into Spanish nobility, Claver became a Jesuit missionary, and served in present-day Colombia. His ministry was focused on the slaves that arrived there. He gave them food and medicine, learned their dialects, and taught them Christianity.

Weekly Statistics for August 23/27

Attendance - Wednesday – 33	Sunday - 85
Offerings - Regular - \$2,378.00	Specials - \$95.00

Monthly Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR) for August

Saturday, September 9th has been cancelled due to the fact that Pastor Paul will be on holidays during that time.

QUILTING NEWS

1. Pastor Paul will be blessing the Baby Bundles (30 of them), that we will send off in the near future with our quilts and lap robes.
2. Our Quilters will begin quilting on Monday, September 11th at 9am. If you have some free time on Monday, please consider joining them (either for an hour, half a day, or the whole day). If you stay for the day, please bring a bag lunch for yourself.

CLWR "WE CARE" LEARNING AND LIVING KITS FOR CHILDREN - Once again members of the Social Ministry Committee will be gathering items for these kits in November. Many of the items in the kit are school supplies. Members wishing to take advantage of the "Back to School" sales in late summer can find a list of the kit items, and information about the programme, on a handout available on the table in the hallway between the church and the parish hall.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

1. Instead of our regular Rally Sunday BBQ, a Potluck Luncheon is planned for Sunday, September 17th following the regular 10 am Worship Service. We invite all our Sunday school children to attend on this

Sunday as there will be activities and crafts especially for the children. Children will remain upstairs with their families. Our first official day back to regular classes will be Sunday, September 24th. All children will meet in the Devotions area for Our Children's Chat with Pastor Paul at 9:45 am. We encourage all children to bring their school backpacks on this day as Pastor Paul has something special planned. If you think you would like to share your time and talents with us and the children, we would love to have you join us. We are still looking for some extra help in some of our classes. Please contact Penny 735-0067 or Erica 735-5553 if you are interested. No special skills are required and all lessons will be provided.

2. CPAN in Pembroke runs the Tools for School Program (Previously known as Backpack Plus). It ensures that all children in Renfrew County have opportunities to participate fully in school, regardless of their family's financial status. This year they know that between 1,000 and 1,500 children will need help. In honor of our Special Backpack Blessing on September 24th, we are asking children and their families to bring in donations of school supplies to help support this program. Supplies would include anything found on a typical supply list (pens, pencils, erasers, rulers, notebooks, etc). Financial donations are also accepted. While you're out doing your Back to School shopping, be sure to pick up a few extras for those who may not be as fortunate. Thank you

ZLW meet this Wednesday, September 6th at 6pm in our Parish Hall. They will first share a cold pot luck supper. The program for the evening is "Fellowship of the Least Coin". Their special offering for the evening will be designated for the "Fellowship of the Least Coin." For more information, please contact Nancy Davis. All women are welcome!

ORGAN RESTORATION- Please visit our Church website at zionlutheran.ca to follow the work that has taken place on our Organ. There you will find a collection of pictures displayed in a box called "**Organ Restoration**". More pictures will be taken and added to this

News & Announcements

MARRIAGE BANNS - Emma Nieman & Jordan Dombroskie intend to be married on September 9, 2017. If anyone knows of a valid reason why they may not marry, please make that known before September 9th.

SPECIAL REQUEST - The blank piece of paper in the bulletin this morning is for you to write a particular "cross or need" you are experiencing at this time. Do NOT put our name on this paper. They will be collected and placed in a basket at the foot of the cross for someone else to choose and pray for you this week. Do this only if you wish to participate. If you write a need to be prayed for, **please** take someone else's in return at the conclusion of the service.

PLEASE NOTE that while Pastor Paul is on holidays, if you have a pastoral emergency that requires immediate pastoral care, please call Pastor Bruce Thompson at either St. Timothy's Lutheran church office at 613-732-2992, or at home at 613-735-5631.

PLEASE NOTE - The last Wednesday evening service was Wednesday, August 30, 2017. The first Saturday afternoon service will be Saturday, September 16th. The service that would normally have been scheduled for

photo gallery when the Casavant work crew returns with the cleaned and repaired organ pipes and other components and work resumes. We continue to wait for their return. The balcony remains closed until further notice to protect the remaining pipes and other organ components. Only the projectionist and the sexton will be allowed in the balcony.

CHOIR NEWS

- 1. Calling All Men!** - Do you like to sing...at church, in the shower, car, or anywhere? Have you sung in a choir before? Would you be interested in making joyful noise together as a Men's Choir? If so then you're invited to an information session on Sunday, September 10th, following worship. For further information please speak to Blaine at church, call him at 613-587-4251, or email him at pianobyblaine@gmail.com.
- 2. Zion's Mixed Choir** - The Mixed Choir will resume practices on Thursday, September 7th @ 7pm. New members are always welcome. Please speak to Blaine for further information. --*The music is all around us, all you have to do...is listen, by August Rush*--

HEALING RITE - If you feel the need for the healing rite before the scheduled days, please ask Pastor Paul and it can be shared in the vestry after worship.



Sending Hymn

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Dismissal

Postlude

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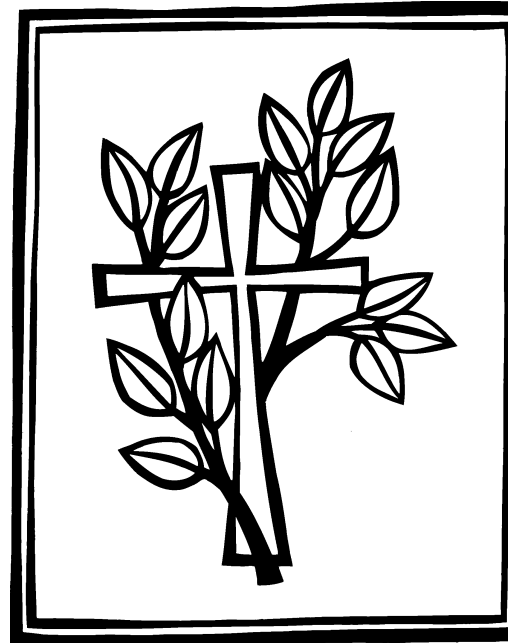
Sunday School

Superintendents: Penny

Stalkie, Erica MacKinnon

Sunday, September 3, 2017

Pentecost 13



Prayer of the Day

All - O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.