ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH PEMBROKE THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER SUNDAY JUNE 1 2025 EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP SETTING ONE

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ELW p. 94)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

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

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG When in Our Music God is Glorified (ELW 850)

1 When in our music God is glorified, and adoration leaves no room for pride, it is as though the whole creation cried: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2 How oft, in making music, we have found a new dimension in the world of sound, as worship moved us to a more profound Alleluia, alleluia!

3 So has the church, in liturgy and song, in faith and love, through centuries of wrong, borne witness to the truth in ev'ry tongue: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4 And did not Jesus sing a psalm that night when utmost evil strove against the light? Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

5 Let ev'ry instrument be tuned for praise; let all rejoice who have a voice to raise; and may God give us faith to sing always: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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GREETING (ELW p. 98)

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 (ELW p. 98)



CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 101)



PRAYER OF THE DAY (ELW p. 102)

Let us pray.

O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

MEN'S CHOIR - 'The Time for Singing Has Come', by Natalie Sleeth

FIRST READING: Acts 16:16-34

A reading from Acts.

¹⁶ One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. 17 While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." 18 She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. 19 But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. ²⁰ When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews ²¹ and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." 22 The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. ²³ After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. ²⁴ Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. ²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶ Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. ²⁷ When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." 29 The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. 30 Then he brought them outside and

said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" ³¹ They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." ³² They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³ At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. ³⁴ He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 97

- ¹ The Lord reigns; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad.
- ² Clouds and darkness surround the Lord, righteousness and justice are the foundations of God's throne.
- ³ Fire goes before the Lord, burning up enemies on every side.
- ⁴ Lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.
- ⁵ The mountains melt like wax before the Lord of all the earth.
- ⁶ The heavens declare your righteousness, O Lord, and all the peoples see your glory.
- ⁷ Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! Bow down before the Lord, all you gods.
- ⁸ Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O Lord.
- ⁹ For you are the Lord, most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.
- ¹⁰ You who love the Lord, hate evil! God guards the lives of the saints and rescues them from the hand of the wicked.
- 11 Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the honest of heart.
- 12 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, and give thanks to God's holy name.

SECOND READING: REVELATION 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

A reading from Revelation.

- ¹² "See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. ¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." ¹⁴ Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.
- ¹⁶ "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

¹⁷ The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. ²⁰ The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! ²¹ The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 102) Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 17:20-26

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus prayed:] ²⁰ "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴ Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

²⁵ "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak (ELW 676)

1 Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in living echoes of your tone; as you have sought, so let us seek your straying children, lost and lone. **2** Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the wand'ring and the wav'ring feet; oh, feed us, Lord, that we may feed your hung'ring ones with manna sweet.

3 Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the precious truths which you impart; and wing our words, that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.

4 Oh, fill us with your fullness, Lord, until our very hearts o'erflow in kindling thought and glowing word, your love to tell, your praise to show. Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, alt. Text: Public Domain.

NICENE CREED (ELW p. 104)

Let us confess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Welcoming God, you invite all people to come and encounter your love. Give your church open hearts and minds to embrace all who seek your presence. Increase the capacity for cooperation between denominations and congregations. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Creating God, your might is seen in storms and in silence. Where drought threatens, bring rain. Where waters flood, ease them back. Where fire, earthquake, hurricane, or tornado destroy, shelter your people and restore your land. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Discerning God, fill the hearts of leaders with your passion for justice and mercy. Call the nations of this world to tables of peace and collaboration. Encourage governments to seek avenues of collective benefit and joy. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Abiding God, all people are held in your care. Accompany survivors of abuse, trauma, and exploitation. Strengthen our resolve to listen and advocate on behalf of all who are unnoticed. Hear our prayers for those close to our heart (especially Jason, Martha, Ella, Rhonda, Heather, Anneliese, Joan, Judy, Larry, Garnet, Betty, Lily, Karl, Elva, Clarence, Eva, Barbara, Inge, Marcella, Kirk, David, Gwen, Don, Jeanette, James, Charlie, Geraldine). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

^{*}Or, "who proceeds from the Father." The phrase "and the Son" is a later addition to the creed.

God of love, we give thanks to you for the gift of relationships. Be with Kyle Verch and Angela Zekveld as they were wed yesterday. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Rejoicing God, be with this congregation as summer begins in the northern hemisphere. Keep travelers safe. Keep the vulnerable cool. Invigorate summer ministry efforts in our community, and support the well-being of children and young people. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Loving God, the beginning and the end, you are with us throughout our lives. In gratitude for the saints who have died, we look toward your coming again among us. Today we especially remember Joan Laforce and her life with us. Hear us. O God.

Your mercy is great.

We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING Day of Arising (ELW 374 verse 1 and 4)

1 Day of arising,

Christ on the roadway,

unknown companion walks with his own.

When they invite him,

as fades the first day,

and bread is broken, Christ is made known.

4 Christ, our companion,

hope for the journey,

bread of compassion, open our eyes.

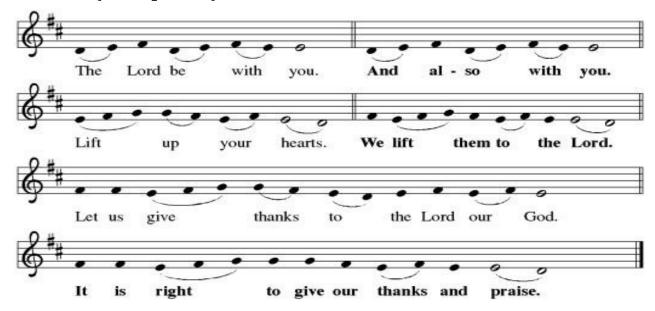
Grant us your vision,

set all hearts burning

that all creation with you may rise.

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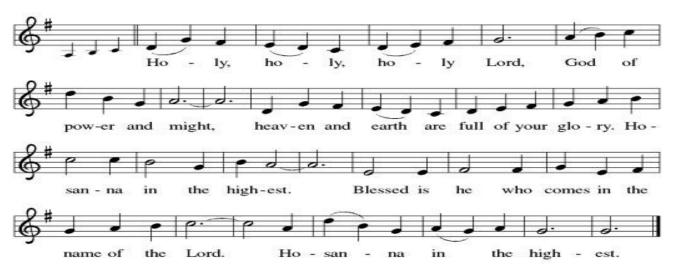
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE (ELW p. 107)



PREFACE (ELW p. 108)

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, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 108)



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (ELW p. 108)

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation. 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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever. **Amen, amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER (SUNG) (ELW p. 112)

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

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION (ELW p. 112)

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONG (ELW p. 112)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN *One Bread, One Body* (ELW 496) Refrain

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of blessing which we bless, and we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

1 Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. **Refrain**

2 Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. **Refrain**

3 Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all. **Refrain**

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN In Christ There Is No East or West (ELW 650)

1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north, but one community of love throughout the whole wide earth.

2 In Christ shall true hearts ev'rywhere their high communion find; his service is the golden cord close binding humankind.

3 Join hands, disciples of the faith, whate'er your race may be. All children of the living God are surely kin to me.

4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north; all Christly souls are one in him throughout the whole wide earth.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (ELW p. 114)

Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG On What Has Now Been Sown (ELW 550)

1 On what has now been sown your blessing, Lord, bestow; the pow'r is yours alone to make it sprout and grow.
O Lord, in grace the harvest raise, and yours alone shall be the praise!

2 To you our wants are known, from you are all our pow'rs; accept what is your own and pardon what is ours.
Our praises, Lord, and prayers receive and to your word a blessing give.

3 Oh, grant that each of us, now met before you here, may meet together thus when you and yours appear, and follow you to heav'n, our home. E'en so, Amen! Lord Jesus, come!

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POSTLUDE

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ZION ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK: June 2 –8

Monday: 1:00 pm Exercise Class

7:00 pm Healing Vets

Tuesday: 7:00 pm Mixed Choir

Wednesday: 10:00 am Morning Social

1:30 pm Exercise Class

2:00 pm ZLW

7:00 pm Men's Choir

Thursday: 7:00 pm Healing Vets

Friday: 1:00 pm Exercise Class

Sunday: 10:00 am Worship Service with Holy

Communion

TODAY'S SCHEDULED WORSHIP LEADERS

Presiding Minister: Pastor Lena Jensen Worship Assistant: Lorraine MacKenzie

Director of Music:

Sexton:

Projector Operator:

Video Recorder:

Sound Operator:

Blaine Sack

Karen Gauthier

Gerry Vandersleen

Ellen Vandersleen

Gerry Vandersleen

Counters: Kevin & Jean Rutz, Gerry Vandersleen

Altar Care: Pauline & Doug Malliff Ushers: Pauline & Doug Malliff

Coffee Hour: Justine Mutlow, Michael Laabs

ATTENDANCE: Sunday May 25, 2025: 71

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pray for those who are ill, in hospital, or requested special prayers: Jason Godin, Martha Kodrzynski, Ella Lehman, Rhonda Mau, Heather Miller, Anneliese Trautrim, Joan Lehman, Judy and Larry Blais, Garnet Miller, Betty Kuehl, Lily Kubiseski, Karl Hausser, Elva & Clarence Gagne, Eva Hagenah, Barbara Schoof, Inge Latiok, Marcella Kuehl, Kirk Weichenthal, David Brumm, Gwen Burchart, Don and Jeanette Nevile, James Dean, Charlie Merredew, Geraldine Belore.

If you know of anyone in hospital, in need of a visit or are recently deceased, please inform the church 613 732-8792 or Pastor Scott 705 313-0333.

OFFERINGS – HOW CAN YOU LEAVE A DONATION?

1.) Place your gift in the OFFERING PLATES AT EITHER ENTRANCE to the of the church sanctuary. 2.) You can also transfer a donation to the church by sending a gift via e-transfer to zionoffice@nrtco.net. Please be sure to leave an address for tax receipts.

DONATIONS:

Donations have been made to the General Fund and the Send A Kid To Camp Fund in thankfulness to God as Terry and Sandra Hoffman celebrated 50 years of marriage on May 16^{th} 2025. Congratulations Terry and Sandra!

SENIOR EXERCISE CLASS Monday 1:00 pm, Wednesday 1:30 pm, Friday 1:00 pm. Be sure to bring a friend!

RETIREMENT HOME SERVICES Miramichi Lodge on Tuesday June 3rd at 10:30 am.

ZLW PRESENTING PEMBROKE WATERFRONT PICNIC Please join us on Wednesday June 4, 2025 at 2:00. Presentation by Liz Kranz "If I Canoe it, So Canoe". Bring your lawn chair and a snack to share!

CONFIRMATION CLASSES are scheduled for Wednesday June 11th and 18th at 6:15 pm.

MORING SOCIAL Wednesday June 4th & 18th at 10:00 am. We will break for July and August and resume in September.

<u>FATHER'S DAY SUNDAE SUNDAY</u> Join us on Sunday June 15th 2025 during fellowship. Join us and make your own sundae!

<u>WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS</u> Congratulations to Kyle Verch and Angela Zekveld on their wedding yesterday. Wishing you a blessed journey as you build your lives together.

ZION WATERFRONT SERVICE SUNDAY JUNE 22 at 11:00 AM

Join Zion Lutheran Church at the Pembroke waterfront amphitheatre for our Sunday Worship Service and potluck, led by Living Stones Band. Bring yourself, a chair, a potluck dish and a friend! In case of rain or inclement weather, the service will be held at Zion Lutheran Church.

GARAGE SALE REPORT

We did it again! Our garage sale was another resounding success. We exceeded expectations. Thank you to Susan Dupuis for advertising on marketplace, furniture donations. We raised a lot of extra money this way. Susan put the ads up and then came to the church when people were interested in purchasing and usually helped to load the items as -a lot of dedication to make that all happen.

Thank you to our team of committed volunteers who sort, clean and label everything. We worked all week getting ready for the big day. Thank you to all the bakers who brought in their delicious goods. It was also advantageous having a designated person to sell the jewelry and our special treasures.

As mentioned every year, the garage sale is useful to help clean up our homes where someone else can use the donation that we no longer need. It also keeps items out of the landfill and helps others find a treasure while saving money. It is a big community event specializing in hospitality. All the leftovers were picked up by Betty Luckovich who operates a thrift store during the summer out of Golden Lake or Killaloe. It is a mutually beneficial arrangement for all. Thank you so much for all your donations and support. Working together we accomplish so much.

Grand Total: \$5611.57 - Proceeds: 50% St Joseph's Food Bank: \$2805.78 and 50% proceeds to Zion Church General Fund: \$2805.78.



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