PENTECOST SUNDAY JUNE 5, 2022 ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH PEMBROKE

PRELUDE

Introduction to the day

On Pentecost, we celebrate that we have been given an Advocate to accompany us. Poured out in wind and fire, water, wine, and bread, the Holy Spirit abides in and among us. We give thanks that God speaks to each of us, no matter our origins, language, or life path. Filled with the Spirit of truth, we go out from worship to proclaim the saving power of Christ's love and the freedom of God's grace with all the world.

Announcements

Land acknowledgement in honour of the Anishnaabe Algonquin People.

Zion Lutheran Church is located on the traditional unceded, unsurrendered territory of the Anishinaabe Algonquin People. The Algonquin People have inhabited and cared for these lands long before today. We take this time to show our gratitude and respect to them, and to the land for all that it provides us. We embrace the responsibility to help ensure that the next generations of land stewards are respectful and grateful for the bounty of this land on which we all live, work, play, and worship.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: In the name of the Father, + and the Son & Holy Spirit

C: Amen.

P: Just as God's work of creation never ends, so the gifts received in baptism are renewed every day.

Let us give thanks together for the life given in baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life: for water to bathe in, water to drink, for waters to play in and waters that inspire wonder, for water that gives life to our planet.

C: We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life.

P: We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place:

for water from our tap, for rain and snow, for the Ottawa River.

C: We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place.

P: We give you thanks for your salvation through water: for delivering Noah and his family through the floodwaters, for leading your people Israel through the sea into freedom, for preserving your prophet Elijah through the time of drought, for guiding your people across the Jordan into a new land, for quenching the Samaritan woman's thirst with living water.

C: We give you thanks for your salvation through water.

P: We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized, and for all who gather here; for godparents, for children and grandchildren, for our brothers and sisters in Christ whom we have never seen but to whom we are bound.

C: We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized.

P: We give you thanks for life in Christ through your Holy Spirit: for our entry into Jesus' death through these waters, for our new birth into a life of freedom and service, for our calling to be your people, sent out for the life of the world.

C: We give you thanks, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen.

GATHERING SONG God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind (ELW 400)

1 God of tempest, God of whirlwind, as on Pentecost descend!
Drive us out from sheltered comfort; past these walls your people send!
Sweep us into costly service, there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!

2 God of blazing, God of burning, all that blocks your purpose, purge! Through your church, Christ's living Body, let your flaming Spirit surge! Where deceit conceals injustice, kindle us to speak your truth, kindle us to speak your truth!

3 God of earthquake, God of thunder, shake us loose from lethargy!
Break the chains of sin asunder, for earth's healing set us free!
Crumble walls that still divide us;

make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!

4 God of passion, God unsleeping, stir in us love's restlessness!
Where the people cry in anguish, may we share your heart's distress.
Rouse us from content with evil; claim us for your kingdom's work, claim us for your kingdom's work!

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(ELW p. 138)

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 house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 140)

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might

be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (ELW p. 142)

Let us pray.

God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Mens Choir - God Welcomes All, arr. by John L. Bell

FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-21

A reading from Acts.

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. 5Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. 6And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? 8And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? 9Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." 12All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" 13But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." ¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 17'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour

out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'" Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

- ²⁴How manifold are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- ²⁵Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
- ²⁷All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.
- ²⁸You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- ³¹May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O LORD, rejoice in all your works.
- ³²You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³I will sing to the LORD as long^I as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.
- ³⁴May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.
- ^{35b}Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Romans 8:14-17

A reading from Romans.

¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then

heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 142)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

8Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. 11 Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. 13I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. ¹⁵"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you."

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMONTHE REV. SUSAN JOHNSON, ELCIC NATIONAL BISHOP



The ELCIC provides a summer sermon series written by the Bishops and their Assistants across the ELCIC. Sermons are for congregations to use when pastors are on holidays. This morning we will hear from

National Bishop Susan Johnson.

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Grace to you in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Happy Birthday, dear church. And greetings to you from your siblings in Christ from coast to coast to coast that make up this part of the family of God that we know as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada.

Today, Pentecost, often feels like an occasion or an anniversary. It's like one day we repeat every year and the events are the same. In fact, it's really like a slice in the history of God's actions in the world. God's actions in the world have a past, a present and a future. This is one part of God's past: God's actions in humanity and in the world.

The actual day of Pentecost in amazing story, or an experience. And like all amazing stories, we love to tell it again and again.

One of the reasons is because of all the names. Phrygia? Pamphylia? Mesopotamia? They sound so exotic and romantic. But really, they represent all of the known world to the writers of Acts at that time. The appearance of the Holy Spirit in tongues of fire on top of the heads of the disciples, now that is amazing. That has never happened to me and I have never seen that happen to anyone else.

But that the disciples could start speaking and be understood by all of those people from a variety of different language families, that is amazing. And people were so amazed that many came to faith that day. In fact, later on in the Acts lesson, after the part that we read today, it says that 3,000 people were baptized that day. Three thousand!

But let's go back for a moment here. It's like in a television series when you come to a new episode where it says, 'previously on an earlier episode', let's recount what has happened just before this. Remember, this is only 50 days after Jesus' resurrection. And what have the disciples been doing in those days? Well, they have occasionally met with Jesus during his post-resurrection appearances. But most of the time they have been huddled in locked rooms, afraid, fearful, terrified that the Romans would come get them and crucify them like they had crucified Jesus.

I want to underline that, because I think it says something about how we are feeling and how we are doing when we think about this Pentecost – because of where we've been. Like it or not, we have spent a lot of time locked up during this pandemic. We have been isolated, we have been fearful, we have been afraid... especially at the beginning when we didn't understand the virus or how it was transmitted, how severe it was going to be, and as we saw the death counts rise.

But there are other things that kept up fearful. Things like the war in Ukraine right now. The images that we see and the stories that we see every day create anxiety within us. We are so fearful of what is happening in our world.

Catastrophic weather events. Right now, I am in the middle of an unprecedented flooding level in Winnipeg. But it's not just here, it's all across our country. In the last year we have seen heat domes, wildfires, extreme flooding, extreme heat, extreme cold, extreme drought, and in places where it should be cold, it hasn't been cold enough – like in the arctic, where the permafrost is melting. It points out the urgency of the climate crisis. And that in and of itself provokes anxiety and fear in a lot of people, and I understand that.

The cost of living is going up and people are afraid that they will not be able to meet their mortgage payments or pay for gas in their car. And on top of that the recent announcement of the leaked majority report of Roe vs. Wade in the United States has many people up in arms or full of anxiety of what might happen in the future.

You may share all of these things, or you may only share some of these things. But we have been living in a time of fear and anxiety, just like the disciples were.

And this Pentecost day, we remember that the Holy Spirit is calling us out, like the Holy Spirit called the disciples out. Out of locked doors, out of fear, into the world with a wonderful, grace-filled, loving and hopeful Gospel to proclaim in words and deeds.

The Holy Spirit has continued throughout history to come and call God's people. But this is our time and our circumstances. We have many challenges to face. We know that our church is declining in membership, and even in number of congregations. We have old habits of caring for buildings and only ourselves that we need to shake off.

The Gospel lesson for today reminds us that the one who believes in Jesus will also do the works that Jesus did; Jesus was not hung up on members and buildings. Jesus was about getting out to where people were in need, and proclaiming and living out the message of love. That's what we are being called to do.

It's a little intimidating, it's scary, we have a vision, but we have no road map. But we are also not left helpless. The Holy Spirit continues to work in the world, within us and between us. Jesus continues to walk with us as we try to live out each day as faithful disciples. And we have each other — people in our congregations, in our synods, in the national church, with our full communion partners and indeed with the faithful around the world. And we have the witness and the prayers of those who have gone before us and are now at rest.

In today's Gospel lesson, Jesus leaves this message for his disciples and for us:

"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you."

Let's breathe in and breathe out God's peace.

Let's be there to support each other when the fear and anxiety starts creeping in. And let us continue to pray that God would lead us and that the Holy Spirit would inspire us.

We can do this, dear church.

Happy Birthday.

HYMN OF THE DAY O Spirit of Life (ELW 405)

1 O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God, in ev'ry need you bring us aid, proceeding forth from heaven's throne, from God, the Father and the Son; O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God.

2 O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God, increase our faith in our dear Lord; unless your grace the power should give, none can believe in Christ and live; O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God.

3 O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God,

make us to love your sacred word; the holy flame of love impart, that charity may warm each heart; O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God.

4 O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God, enlighten us by that same word; teach us to know God's radiant love, lead us to Christ who reigns above; O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God.

CREED (ELW p. 104)

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.

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

THE PRAYERS

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

Holy Living One, Holy Moving One, burst open our locked doors, and by your Spirit drive us out into the world proclaiming your mighty deeds. Direct our words and actions, trusting the Advocate abiding in and among us. God, in your mercy.

hear our prayer.

Feed and care for creatures that remain hidden to us yet contribute to the vibrancy of your creation. Train us to interact with creation from a place of wonder, awe, and reverence. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Send your Spirit to places where language is a barrier to justice and mercy for those who seek it. Bless the work of translators, interpreters, and teachers. Promote understanding for the sake of those longing for true freedom and peace. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Loving God uphold your children who cry out to you. Wherever people are overcome by the fear of death, breathe into them your life and peace. We pray for the peace of all nations. Be with the country of the Ukraine as it struggles to defend itself from Russia. Be with refugees as they live each day not knowing what the next day will bring. Be with the citizens of Russia who oppose the war. God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Comfort all who live in constant fear and any who are suffering (*especially* we pray for David, Judy, Delton, Florence, Jason, Marilyn, Richard & Marion, Wayne, Martha, Harvey, Lani, Rhonda, Heather, Aileen, Denise, Robert, Lori, Ruth, Kaitlyn, Danita and Korina). Remind them that your Spirit has made them your children and that they are never far from your glory. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Guide all bishops, pastors, missionaries, and other ministers of the gospel. Foster our relationships with partner synods and local ministry partners that our visions and actions are Spirit-led. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Gather your people across regions, nations, and lands. Root our common life in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, and by your Spirit bind us together with all the saints who have gone before us. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your lifegiving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

PEACE (ELW p. 143)

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Mixed Choir - The Joy of the Lord Is My Song, by Glenn Wonacott

OFFERING (ELW p. 144)

OFFERING Take My Life, That I May Be (PATMOS) (ELW 685 VERSES 1 AND 4)

1 Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

4 Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold; take my intellect and use ev'rypow'r as thou shall choose.

OFFERING PRAYER (ELW p. 144)

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have .raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE (ELW p. 144)

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 our thanks and praise.

PREFACE (ELW p. 144)

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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. 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. 144)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (ELW p. 145)

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.

Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.

Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.

Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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. With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us

and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

With *[__name/s and__]* your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER (ELW p. 145) (Sung)

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. 146)

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

COMMUNION (ELW p. 146)

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen.

COMMUNION SONG (ELW p. 146)

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.

Communion Hymns

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song #403

1 Like the murmur of the dove's song, like the challenge of her flight, like the vigor of the wind's rush, like the new flame's eager might: come, Holy Spirit, come.

- 2 To the members of Christ's body, to the branches of the vine, to the church in faith assembled, to our midst as gift and sign: come, Holy Spirit, come.
- 3 With the healing of division, with the ceaseless voice of prayer, with the power to love and witness, with the peace beyond compare: come, Holy Spirit, come.

Spirit of Gentleness #398

Refrain

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free; Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

- 1 You moved on the waters, you called to the deep, then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep; and over the eons you called to each thing:

 "Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings." Refrain
- 2 You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand, and you goaded your people with a law and a land; and when they were blinded with idols and lies, then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. *Refrain*
- 3 You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill, then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still; and down in the city you called once again, when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. *Refrain*
- 4 You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes. From the bondage of sorrow all the captives dream dreams; our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.

With bold new decisions your people arise. Refrain

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (ELW p. 146)

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.

BLESSING (ELW p. 146)

SENDING SONG Holy Spirit, Truth Divine (ELW 398)

1 Holy Spirit, truth divine, dawn upon this soul of mine; breath of God and inward light, wake my spirit, clear my sight.

2 Holy Spirit, love divine, glow within this heart of mine; kindle ev'ry high desire; purge me with your holy fire.

3 Holy Spirit, pow'r divine, fortify this will of mine; by your will I strongly live, bravely bear, and nobly strive.

4 Holy Spirit, peace divine, still this restless heart of mine;

speak to calm this tossing sea, stayed in your tranquility.

5 Holy Spirit, right divine, king within my conscience reign; be my guide, and I shall be firmly bound, forever free.

DISMISSAL (ELW p. 146)

Go in peace. Christ is with you. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Please Pray for Those Who are III, in Hospital, or Requested Special Prayers: David Brumm, Judy Bucholtz-Valliant, Delton Felske, Florence Felske, Jason Godin, Marilyn Kathen, Richard & Marion Hubert, Wayne Kirk, Martha Kodrzynski, Harvey Kumm, Lani Lange, Rhonda Mau, Heather Miller, Aileen Roesler, Denise Schizkoske, Robert Schoof, Lori Scott, Ruth Thom, Kaitlyn Vaillancourt, Danita Wolfgram.

News & Announcements

Worship Attendance Sunday, May 29th – 78

SPECIAL DONATION

A donation has been made towards the General Fund by Bert & Dorothy Biederman on their 65th Wedding Anniversary on June 8, 2022. They were married in Zion Lutheran Church in 1957 by Rev. John Zimmerman. "Therefore a man leaves his father and mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh." Genesis 2:24

THANK YOU

A big "Thank You" to Kathy Godin and Smitty's Home Hardware for the donation of a carpet cleaning machine. Your generosity is so much appreciated.

CHURCH SERVICE AT PEMBROKE AMPITHEATRE

The date is set for Sunday, June 19th at 11:00 A. M. at the waterfront amphitheatre. In case of rain, the service will be held in the parish hall. There will not be a potluck this year, still due to Covid concerns, but people are encouraged to bring a bag lunch and their own lawn chairs, if they wish.

SEND YOUR KIDS TO CAMP

The Social Ministry Committee has some funds in our Good Shepherding Fund that we have earmarked to assist families by helping to send their kids to Camp Lutherlyn. If you have a child or children who would like to attend Camp Lutherlyn please speak to Pastor Sue or Ellen Vandersleen. The Social Ministry of Zion would love to assist. Depending on the response will determine how much we can assist.

CAMP LUTHERLYN CRAFT SUPPLIES

Camp Lutherlyn is looking for the following items for crafting this summer and you might just have them around your house!

- egg cartons - toilet paper rolls

- tissue paper - yarn/wool

pipe cleanersembroidery thread

- roll of paper (ie butchers paper) for banner making

- magazines - milk cartons

- juice jugs - clean cans and clean glass jars

Please let Pastor Sue know if you can help support the craft program!

ETERNITY FOR TODAY

The next issue of the devotional "Eternity for Today" is in the church office. Please make arrangements to pick up your copy.

LIBRARY

Did you know that we have a book lending library? We have a wide assortment of books for your reading /learning/pleasure. Please check it out. The book shelves are in the back of the parish hall on the window side. The books are behind doors but are open and you are most welcome to peruse and borrow some as you wish. There are cards there for you to fill out. Please help yourself. We work on the honour system. If there are books that you think would be good to purchase we would welcome your input. Please speak with any of our learning committee. Pastor Sue, Pastor Scott, Ellen Vandersleen, Penny Stalkie, Kim Schmidt, Cheryl Sack, Gayle Seegmiller.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

The Sunday School is in need of some new Sunday School Teachers. This is an important ministry in the life of our church. If you have a love for children and would like to teach them about the wonderful story of God's Love, please contact Penny Stalkie (613-735-0067), Kim Schmidt (613-602-7205), or Pastor Scott (705-313-0333). This is a very rewarding ministry to be involved in. We need your help! We have lots of materials to teach from and we will assist you anyway we can. Experience is not necessary, just a willingness to teach, learn and grow with God's children.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school continues to meet during the 10am worship service. Thank you to Penny Stalkie and Kim Schmidt for their strong commitment to this ministry. Please consider bringing your children to this valuable learning experience. Grandparents remind your children and grandchildren about it too.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- 1. Volunteers are needed for our funeral luncheons, which have resumed once again. If you are interested in helping with this ministry or would like more information, please call June Popke at 613-735-7828.
- 2. Volunteers are also needed for our altar guild. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, or would like more information, please call Sandra Graham at 613-732-3260.

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER FOR FIRST STEP OPTIONS

Zion is again participating in the baby bottle fundraiser for First Step Options. The campaign runs from now until Father's Day. We hope that you will consider supporting this community outreach. First step Options is a faith based non-political organization and their work is an extension of their faith- to love and serve others. While their faith motivates their actions, there is absolutely no expectation that those receiving care must share or subscribe to those beliefs. They recognize that their clients might have never thought about God or why they exist, but sometimes facing a difficult pregnancy causes people to think about spiritual questions.

VISION

That every individual experiencing an unintended pregnancy, pregnancy loss or parental needs has access to compassionate support, accurate information and material assistance.

MISSION (H.O.P.E)

We facilitate the **Healing** process by **Offering** accurate and up-to-date information and by **Providing** compassionate and material support to **Empower** each individual to make positive choices for a healthy future.

You can give by making a donation in your offering envelope and mark it: First Step Options.

Or you can: e-transfer: firststepoptions@gmail.com

If you would like a tax receipt, please include your full name, mailing address, phone number and email address in the message field and indicate whether we can email your tax receipt at the end of the year.

<u>Or</u>

Cheque payable to First Step Options, 337 Murray Street, Pembroke, ON K8A 4P3

If you would like a tax receipt, please include your full name, mailing address, phone number, and indicate whether we can email your tax receipt at the end of the year.

Thank you for your support. Social Ministry Committee



PULSE MINISTRY PULSE MINISTRY consists of three different programs. Every generation is invited to worship and to Messy Church: Messy Church, Youth Group, and worship. The worship Service is called "Living Stones".

Messy Church is another alternative, in addition to Sunday School (not in place of), that is held in the evening once a month. It includes Food, Crafts, Games, Faith Talk, and Fun! It is for all individuals young and old.

The next event is on Monday, June 6th from 5:30pm to 7:30pm.



Youth Group ages 12-16. If older kids show up we won't turn them away. We will be meeting on the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month from 6:30pm – 9pm.

The next <u>"Living Stones"</u> worship will be - Sunday, June 12th at 12:30pm. It is an intergenerational service. It is in the gym and is led by a praise team. If you have musical gifts you would like to share please contact Pastor Scott or Pastor Sue. Those that want to come to worship can come early for coffee.



Today's Scheduled Worship Volunteers

Worship Assistant: Lorraine MacKenzie

Sexton: Diane Hammel

Projector Operator: Ellen Vandersleen

Video Recorder: Daniel Reid

Sound Operator: Gerry Vandersleen

Counters: Gayle & Larry Seegmiller, Desi Schrie

Altar Care: Doug & Pauline Malliff

Coffee Hour: Kathy Hoffman, Susan Dupuis

Ushers: Doug & Pauline Malliff

This Week at Zion - June 6 - 12

Mon 5:30pm Messy Church

Tues 7pm Worship & Music Cte. Mtg.

7pm Narcotics Anonymous

Wed 10:30am Mid Week Service

1pm Staff Mtg.

7pm 5 Little Indians Book Study

Thurs 7pm Music Healing Vets

Friday 6:30pm Pulse Youth Night – Pool Party @ Pastor Scott's Sunday 10am Worship with Holy Communion & Sunday School

12:30pm Living Stones Service