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The Third Sunday after Pentecost - June 26 2022
Celebration of Indigenous Peoples' Day¹

Prelude

Announcements

Song - Draw the Circle Wide

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: Christ our true and only Light: receive our prayers and songs and illumine the secrets of our hearts with your healing goodness, that no evil desires may possess us who are made new in the light of your heavenly grace. **Amen.**

Acknowledgement and Thanksgiving for the Land

A: Creator, you made all people of every land. It is our responsibility to give thanks and respect to those who first occupied this land we are upon. We give thanks for the traditional unceded territory of the Anishnabewaki and Algonquin People, the first people of this land. We offer our respect to those ancestors who may be interred in this land. We are also thankful for the gifts of the People of the land. Creator let us be of Good Mind to reconcile the mistreatment of this land and to those who have been displaced. With thankful and respectful hearts we pray in Your name, Your son the Peacemaker and the Sacred Spirit. Amen.

P: God the Creator, the strength of the people, we honor you. Listen to the thoughts of your people. We respect the truth of your spirit world and care for your creations to the east, to the south, to the west and to the north. We honor you by deeds and not words. We live by the ways you have entrusted to us within the circle of life.

Come, O Holy Spirit, Come –*WawawaEmimimo, Nigerian traditional WOV 681*

Reader 1 - Assistant

We face East– (*towards Christie Street – church offices side*) - To your symbol color gold the breath of the morning sun, to your animal sign the Eagle which soars ever upward in the praise of the Creator and calls us to do the same, to your words calling us to balance our minds in the spirit of humility and truth. We invoke your Spirit of illumination and far-sighted vision. The ways have shown us how to love you and each other with heart, mind, and soul, and we pray.

Come, O Holy Spirit, Come – *WawawaEmimimo, Nigerian traditional WOV 681*

Reader 2

We turn to the South– (*towards the Chancel Sanctuary*) - To your symbol color red the hue of revelation, to your animal sign the Wolf...strong and enduring. The ways call us to balance of Spirit

¹ A Liturgy for The National Indigenous Day of Prayer (Adapted from liturgy prepared by All Saint's Church, Minneapolis, MN)

and harmony with all nations, tribes and clans. We invoke your wisdom, grace and goodness of the ages, and we pray. (drumming)

Come, O Holy Spirit, Come – *WawawaEmimimo, Nigerian traditional WOV 681*

Reader 1

We turn to the West– (*towards Munro Street*) -To your symbol color black the stillness of night, to your sign thunder mighty and bold, to your animal sign the Buffalo. The ways calls us to balance emotions in the tradition of truth and honesty. We invoke your spirit ways of seeing within the community and its strength to endure, and we pray.

Come, O Holy Spirit, Come – *WawawaEmimimo, Nigerian traditional WOV 681*

Reader 2

We turn North – (*towards Miller Street, the back pews*) -To your symbol color white the truth of clarity and brightness, to your animal sign, the Bear, which touches us with earthiness and all things growing, to your words calling us to balance of our body in the spirit of a good sense and humor. We invoke your spirit of innocence, trust and love. The ways open our eyes to the sacredness of each living thing, and we pray.

Come, O Holy Spirit, Come – *WawawaEmimimo, Nigerian traditional WOV 681*

Reader 1

We turn to complete the circle: To God the Creator who cleanses the world with snow wind and rain, to the Creator's Son, Jesus the Christ, who fills us with mercy and loving embrace of all nations and to the Holy Creator's Spirit who guides us, and we pray.

Come, O Holy Spirit, Come – *WawawaEmimimo, Nigerian traditional WOV 681*

P: Creator, you bent the earth like a bow until it was one, round, shining planet. At your word the land was drawn into mountains and tundra, forests and prairies; the waters were gathered together into rivers, lakes and seas. Many times, when people crossed these seas from other lands they broke the circle of your creation by their greed and violence and they shattered the lives of others.

Creator renew the circle of the earth and turn the hearts of all people to one another; that they and all the earth may live and be drawn toward you through the love of Jesus Christ, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit in the circle of the Trinity, forever One. Amen (A Prayer to the Four Directions, adapted and revised from the prayer used at the National Cathedral, DC in A Celebration of Native American Survival Service, 1992)

The Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise 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

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Creator God, from you every family in heaven and earth takes its name. You have rooted and grounded us in your covenant love, and empowered us by your Spirit to speak the truth in love, and to walk in your way towards justice and wholeness. Mercifully grant that your people, journeying together in partnership, may be strengthened and guided to help one another to grow into the full stature of Christ, who is our light and our life. **Amen**

THE WORD

1 Kings 19:15-16,19-21

¹⁵Then the LORD said to [Elijah,] “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.

¹⁹So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. ²⁰He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” Then Elijah said to him, “Go back again; for what have I done to you?” ²¹He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

Psalm 16

¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”

²**All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.**

³But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

⁴**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.**

⁵O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

⁶**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

⁷I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

⁸**I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

¹⁰**For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.**

¹¹You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. ¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. ¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Luke 9:51-62

⁵¹When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village. ⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." ⁵⁹To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶²Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

The Sermon

Hymn "O God of Every Nation" #713 ELW

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Creator and Redeemer, as we approach you in prayer, make us walk in beauty and balance, make us open our hearts and minds, make us speak the truth. We pray first for your Community, the Church, The Body of Christ. We pray for all our relatives in the circle of life throughout all Creation; for those chosen to be our leaders and teachers.

We call upon the earth, our Mother and home, with its beautiful depths, soaring heights and deep waters, its vitality and abundance of life, and together we pray, Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We call upon the mountains and tundra, the high green valleys and prairies filled with wild flowers, the snows, the summits of intense silence, and together we pray, Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We call upon the land which grows our food, the nurturing soil, the fertile fields, the abundant gardens and orchards, and together we pray, Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We call upon the forests, the great trees reaching strongly to the sky with earth in their roots and the heavens in their branches, the fir and the pine, the cedar and the maple, and together we pray, Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We call upon the creatures of the fields and forests and the waters, our brothers and sisters the wolves and deer, the eagle and bear, the great whales and the fish and together we pray, Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We call on you as the creator and healer of the world, to be with those who are in need of your tender care, Those who are sick - Judy, Florence, Jason, Marilyn, Martha, Harvey, Lani, Mervin, Heather, Robert, Lori, Ruth, Kaitlyn, Danita - and any we name in our own hearts and together we pray, Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We call upon all those who have lived on this earth, our ancestors and our friends, who dreamed the best for future generations, and upon whose lives our lives are built, and with thanksgiving, and together we pray, Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Creator, you made the world and declared it to be good: the beauty of the trees, the softness of the air, the fragrance of the grass speaks to us; the summit of the mountains, the thunder of the sky, the rhythm of the waters speak to us; the faintness of the stars, the freshness of the morning, the dewdrops on the flower speak to us. But above all, our heart soars, for you speak to us in Jesus the Christ, in whose name we offer these prayers. **Amen**

THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be always with you

C: And also with you.

Offering

Please place offerings on the plate as you leave the church or feel free to drop off your envelopes at the church and you can also e-transfer offerings.

Offertory Song of Praise #837 ELW "Many and Great, O God" Wakantankatakunituwa

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

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 our thanks and praise.

It is indeed our duty and our joy

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. O Great Spirit, our Creator from whom all holiness comes, we come before you again today. Just as in generations past, like our grandmothers and grandfathers, we come to worship you and acknowledge your greatness. We marvel at your creation.

P: You sent Jesus into creation because people had turned away from you and no longer loved each other, bringing death and destruction. Sharing our living and dying, Jesus opened our eyes and our hearts to understand that we are all relatives and that you are our Great Spirit the Creator.

Stretching out his arms upon the cross, he became a perfect offering for all, uniting in beauty all that is, with all that has been, and with all that ever will be.

On the night Jesus was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; gave thanks, gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

In this ceremony which Jesus gave us, we celebrate our salvation. In our offering of praise and thanks, we stand in the memory, strength, and love of Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension. Remembering, we make our offering.

By your Holy Spirit, make our gifts holy, so that they may be spiritual food and drink. + Make us holy, so that we respectfully receive this feast and serve you in each other.

Surrounded now by our ancestor saints, and all saints and all angels, with the heavenly community which gives you worship forever. May we also live in unity and live as relatives to all.

United in Christ with all who stand before you on earth and heaven, we worship you, God the Creator, our Great Spirit, in songs and dance of infinite praise. Blessing, honor and glory be yours, here and everywhere, now and for ever. Amen. (Eucharistic Prayer revised version from the Liturgy of St. John's, Red Lake, MN)

The Lord's Prayer

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.

The gifts of God for the people.

Thanks be to God.

All are welcome at the Lord's table.

Distribution

Lamb of God p. 39 ELW

Musical reflection during Communion by Blaine Sack

Post Communion Prayer

A: Let us Pray

Great Creator, you have fed us with bread from heaven. Continue to renew us in your truth, to give light to our minds strength to our bodies, and seal us with your Holy Spirit. We ask this in Christ's name. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The blessing of God; the Creator, who made and knows us; the Savior, who redeems and befriends us; and the Spirit, who enlightens and sustains us, be with you this day and always. Amen.

Hymn "In Christ There is No East or West" 650 ELW

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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News and Announcements:

Please Pray for Those Who are Ill, in Hospital, or Requested Special Prayers: Judy Bucholtz-Valliant, Florence Felske, Jason Godin, Marilyn Kathen, Martha Kodzynski, Harvey Kumm, Lani Lange, Mervin McKibbon, Heather Miller, Robert Schoof, Ruth Thom, Kaitlyn Vaillancourt, Danita Wolfgram.

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY JUNE 21

National Indigenous Peoples Day, which falls on the summer solstice, is a day created for indigenous people and their communities to celebrate their culture, heritage, and their feats of achievement. It is a beautiful day when we can celebrate the diversity that is found in our earth. In an attempt to continue reconciliation with our indigenous neighbours and especially in light of recent revelations at residential schools this service has been created that honours their history, our relationship with them and a need for awareness.

IMPORTANT MEETING!

Following our worship service today we will be holding a congregational meeting. At this meeting we will be discussing the next steps on our work with the St. Joseph's Community Food Bank as they work towards moving to their own location. We will update you on the work that has happened so far and where we go from there. We do need a quorum of 50 as we will be voting on the next step.
Susan Dupuis - Council Chairperson

BOOK STUDY GROUP

The Book Study Group for the book "5 Little Indians" gathers on Wednesday @ 7pm to discuss the entire book.

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
 - tissue paper
 - pipe cleaners
 - roll of paper (ie butchers paper) for banner making
 - magazines
 - juice jugs
 - toilet paper rolls
 - yarn/wool
 - embroidery thread
 - milk cartons
 - clean cans and clean glass jars
- Please let Pastor Sue know if you can help support the craft program!

Today's Scheduled Worship Volunteers

Worship Assistant: Susan Dupuis

Sexton: Koit Rull

Projector Operator: Rick Gerundin

Video Recorder: Alex Hammel

Sound Operator: Krista Hammel

Counters: Murray & Sandra Sell, Mervyn Bimm

Altar Care: Cheryl Sack

Coffee Hour: Roseanne Campbell, Pam Duplessis

Ushers: Cheryl Sack, Allen Rose

This Week at Zion – June 27 – July 3

Mon		Jean on holidays until July 4 th
	7pm	Property Cte. Mtg.
	7pm	Horticultural Mtg.
Tues	7pm	Narcotics Anonymous
Wed	7pm	5 Little Indians Book Study
Thurs	7pm	Music Healing Vets
Sunday	10am	Worship Service with Holy Communion

Zion Lutheran Church is located on the traditional unceded, unsundered 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.