

**September 4, 2022– Season of Creation  
Zion Lutheran Church Pembroke Ontario  
Setting 4 – Evangelical Lutheran Worship**

**PRELUDE  
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM (ELW P. 97)**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

**Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.

Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Creation Confession**

Dear friends, remembering the gift of new life in baptism, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as God does.

*(Silence is kept for reflection.)*

God of mercy and forgiveness, we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation.

We have failed to do justice, love, kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life.

Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

Beloved of God: our sins are forgiven, and we are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Let us journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**GATHERING SONG: Let All Things Now Living ELW 881**

1 Let all things now living  
a song of thanksgiving  
to God the creator triumphantly raise,  
who fashioned and made us,  
protected and stayed us,  
who still guides us on to the end of our days.  
God's banners are o'er us,  
God's light goes before us,  
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,  
till shadows have vanished  
and darkness is banished,  
as forward we travel from light into light.

2 God rules all the forces:  
the stars in their courses  
and sun in its orbit obediently shine;  
the hills and the mountains,  
the rivers and fountains,  
the deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine.  
We too should be voicing  
our love and rejoicing;  
with glad adoration a song let us raise  
till all things now living  
unite in thanksgiving:  
"To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"

**GREETING - PSALMODY (*Psalm 19*)**

The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of God's hands.

Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal

knowledge.

**Listen to creation tell of God, listen to God's Word in scripture.**

They have no speech, they use no words; no sound is heard from them. Yet their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.

**Listen to creation tell of God, listen to God's Word in scripture.**

The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple. The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart.

**Listen to creation tell of God, listen to God's Word in scripture.**

The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes. The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the LORD are firm, and all of them are righteous.

**Listen to creation tell of God, listen to God's Word in scripture.**

## **THANKSGIVING FOR THE EARTH**

Remember the fruits of the earth, for sowing and for harvest. Remember the dew of the air. Remember the downcoming of the rains and the waters and the rivers. Remember the plants and the blooms of every year. Remember the safety of humans and of animals and of me, your sinful servant.

For the rain, the wind of the sky, seed, plants, the fruit of the trees and also the vineyards, and for every tree in the entire world, we are grateful.

For the Holy Trinity who brings us to perfection in safety and peace, forgives us our sins, brings us up according to their measure that we may grow and prosper through your grace, who makes the face of the earth to rejoice, waters her furrows, lets her grain be abundantly multiplied and makes ready her seed-time and harvest, we give You thanks.

*(adapted from the Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Pre-Anaphora, and Anaphora of Basil)*

## **KYRIE (ELW p. 147)**

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. 149)**

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. **Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY (ELW p. 142)**

Let us pray.

Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

### **WORD**

#### **Jeremiah 18:1-11**

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: <sup>2</sup> 'Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words.' <sup>3</sup> So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. <sup>4</sup> The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. <sup>5</sup> Then the word of the LORD came to me: <sup>6</sup> Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the LORD. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. <sup>7</sup> At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, <sup>8</sup> but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. <sup>9</sup> And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, <sup>10</sup> but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. <sup>11</sup> Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of

Jerusalem: Thus says the LORD: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

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

### **Philemon 1-21**

<sup>1</sup>Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,  
To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, <sup>2</sup>to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house: <sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God <sup>5</sup>because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. <sup>6</sup>I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. <sup>7</sup>I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. <sup>8</sup>For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, <sup>9</sup>yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. <sup>10</sup>I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. <sup>11</sup>Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. <sup>12</sup>I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. <sup>13</sup>I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; <sup>14</sup>but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. <sup>15</sup>Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, <sup>16</sup>no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. <sup>17</sup>So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. <sup>18</sup>If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. <sup>19</sup>I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. <sup>20</sup>Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. <sup>21</sup>Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

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

**Gospel Acclamation (P.142)**

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

### **Luke 14:25-33**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

#### **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>25</sup>Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them, <sup>26</sup>“Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. <sup>27</sup>Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. <sup>28</sup>For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? <sup>29</sup>Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, <sup>30</sup>saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ <sup>31</sup>Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup>If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. <sup>33</sup>So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.”

The Gospel of our Lord! **Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **SERMON**

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY: Touch the Earth Lightly ELW 739**

- 1 Touch the earth lightly,  
use the earth gently,  
nourish the life of the world in our care:  
gift of great wonder,  
ours to surrender,  
trust for the children tomorrow will bear.
  
- 2 We who endanger,  
who create hunger,  
agents of death for all creatures that live,  
we who would foster  
clouds of disaster—  
God of our planet, forestall and forgive!

3 Let there be greening,  
birth from the burning,  
water that blesses, and air that is sweet,  
health in God's garden,  
hope in God's children,  
regeneration that peace will complete.

4 God of all living,  
God of all loving,  
God of the seedling, the snow, and the sun,  
teach us, deflect us,  
Christ reconnect us,  
using us gently, and making us one.

### **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

We believe in God, who creates all things, who embraces all things, who celebrates all things, who is present in every part of the fabric of creation. We believe in God as the source of all life, who baptises this planet with living water.

We believe in Jesus Christ, the suffering one, the poor one, the malnourished one, the climate refugee, who loves and cares for this world and who suffers with it.

And we believe in Jesus Christ, the seed of life, who came to reconcile and renew this world and everything in it.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God, who moves with God and who moves among and with us today.

We believe in everlasting life in God. And we believe in the hope that one day God will put an end to death and all destructive forces.

(Gurukul Theological college, India / adapted by Keld B. Hansen 2009, from SOC Curriculum 2022)

### **INTERCESSORY PRAYER (from SEASONS OF CREATION Curriculum 2022)**

Loving God during this season of creation let us pray ending each petition with "God, who listens to every living thing," and responding **Help us listen as you do**

Loving God, even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she places her young near Your altar. You are attentive to all

you have made. God, who listens to every living thing,  
**Help us listen as you do.**

Loving God, help us provide refuge to every animal and plant with whom we live. Help us be attentive to all you have made. God, who listens to every living thing,  
**Help us listen as you do.**

Loving God, when Jesus cried out and gave up his Spirit, the earth shook and the rocks split. You are known by the whole of creation that listens to you. God, who listens to every living thing,  
**Help us listen as you do.**

Loving God, help us hear and know you just as the earth and rocks do. Help us to learn from the way in which we see creation recognise your glorious beauty. God, who listens to every living thing  
**Help us listen as you do.**

Loving God, you are present in your creation and seek to heal her wounds. Comfort those who are ailing or grieving; especially Judy, Jason, Erna, Marilyn, Martha, Lani, Erica, Rhonda, Heather, Aileen, Robert, Stan, Ruth, Kaitlyn, Danita, Mona, Tim. You can be found walking in the garden. Open our eyes to see you, the gardener. God, who listens to every living thing  
**Help us listen as you do.**

Loving God, we often abandon your creation and cause its wounds. Help us to follow in your footsteps and learn to walk in the garden like you. God, who listens to every living thing  
**Help us listen as you do.**

Loving God, who hears every voice, knows each cry of injustice, and is attentive to the suffering of the earth: teach us to listen. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may listen to the world you have created and not close ourselves off from it. Reveal to us the ways in which we have failed to hear your voice in how we treat the earth. God, who listens to every living thing,  
**Help us listen as you do. Amen**

**SHARING OF THE PEACE**

If we are in Christ, we are becoming a new creation. The peace of the Creator be with you in all Things.

**And also with you.**

## **OFFERING**

### **OFFERATORY HYMN: For the Fruit of All Creation ELW 679 (verses 1 & 3)**

1 For the fruit of all creation,  
thanks be to God.  
For these gifts to ev'ry nation,  
thanks be to God.  
For the plowing, sowing, reaping,  
silent growth while we are sleeping,  
future needs in earth's safekeeping,  
thanks be to God.

3 For the harvests of the Spirit,  
thanks be to God.  
For the good we all inherit,  
thanks be to God.  
For the wonders that astound us,  
for the truths that still confound us,  
most of all, that love has found us,  
thanks be to God.

### **OFFERING PRAYER (from *Sundays and Seasons 2022*)**

Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to serve all creation; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

## **DIALOGUE AND PREFACE**

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 right to give you thanks, loving Creator. Your Word is the impulse for all things to be, for space, stars and stardust to appear, for Earth to emerge from the deep, for life to be born of Earth and for humans to be born of Earth and the Spirit. You chose to be born a human being, to become a part of Earth, to suffer, die and rise from death to redeem humankind, renew creation, and affirm all born of Earth and the Spirit. Your presence is the living impulse in all things, the Christ deep among us, filling Earth—land, sea and air; filling every element and place; filling the grain and the grape we share with you this day. Therefore, with angels and archangels, ancient voices in the forest, high voices from the sky, deep voices from the sea and the whole company of creation, we proclaim your presence among us:

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

## **TABLE BLESSING**

Holy God, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food, you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance. You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life, and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven. You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.

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

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

Remembering, therefore, his life given for us and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. Amen

## **LORD'S PRAYER:**

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver, Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven: The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe! The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world! Your heavenly will be done by all created beings! Your beloved community of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth. With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

*(Adapted from The New Zealand Book of Prayer | He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa for the 2022 Season of Creation Curriculum.)*

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of our Creator be with you in all Things.  
And also with you.

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Come to the table for all is now ready.

## **HYMNS – “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus” #802**

- 1 Let us ever walk with Jesus,  
follow his example pure,  
through a world that would deceive us  
and to sin our spirits lure.  
Onward in his footsteps treading,  
trav'lers here, our home above,  
full of faith and hope and love,  
let us do our Savior's bidding.  
Faithful Lord, with me abide;  
I shall follow where you guide.
  
- 2 Let us suffer here with Jesus,  
and with patience bear our cross.  
Joy will follow all our sadness;  
where he is there is no loss.  
Though today we sow no laughter,  
we shall reap celestial joy:  
all discomforts that annoy  
shall give way to mirth hereafter.

Jesus, here I share your woe;  
help me there your joy to know.

3 Let us gladly die with Jesus.  
Since by death he conquered death,  
he will free us from destruction,  
give to us immortal breath.  
Let us mortify all passion  
that would lead us into sin;  
and the grave that shuts us in  
shall but prove the gate of heaven.  
Jesus, here with you I die,  
there to live with you on high.

4 Let us also live with Jesus.  
He has risen from the dead  
that to life we may awaken.  
Jesus, you are now our head,  
we are your own living members;  
where you live, there we shall be  
in your presence constantly,  
living there with you forever.  
Jesus, let me faithful be;  
life eternal grant to me.

### **“When Long Before Time” #861**

- 1 When long before time and the worlds were begun,  
when there was no earth and no sky and no sun,  
and all was deep silence and night reigned supreme,  
and even our Maker had only a dream--
- 2 The silence was broken when God sang the Song,  
and light pierced the darkness and rhythm began,  
and with its first birth-cries creation was born,  
and creaturely voices sang praise to the morn.
- 3 The sounds of the creatures were one with their Lord's,  
their harmonies sweet and befitting the Word;  
the Singer was pleased as the earth sang the Song,

the choir of the creatures reechoed it long.

4 Though down through the ages the Song disappeared,  
its harmonies broken and almost unheard,  
the Singer comes to us to sing it again,  
our God-is-with-us in the world now as then.

5 The Light has returned as it came once before,  
the Song of the Lord is our own song once more,  
so let us all sing with one heart and one voice  
the Song of the Singer in whom we rejoice.

6 To you, God the Singer, our voices we raise,  
to you, Song Incarnate, we give all our praise,  
to you, Holy Spirit, our life and our breath,  
be glory for ever, through life and through death.

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## **BENEDICTION**

May God who established the dance of creation, Who marvelled at the lilies of the field, Who transforms chaos to order, Lead us to transform our lives and the Church To listen to the voice of all creatures, That reflect God's glory in creation.

*(adapted from the CTBI Eco-Congregation Programme)*

## **Hymn "O God beyond All Praising" #880**

1 O God beyond all praising, we worship you today  
and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;  
for we can only wonder at ev'ry gift you send,  
at blessings without number and mercies without end:  
we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word,  
we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

2 The flow'r of earthly splendor in time must surely die,  
its fragile bloom surrender to you, the Lord most high;

but hidden from all nature the eternal seed is sown—  
though small in mortal stature, to heaven's garden grown:  
for Christ, your gift from heaven, from death has set us free,  
and we through him are given the final victory.

- 3 Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,  
that we who know your favor may serve you as our King;  
and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,  
we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:  
to marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,  
and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

### **Dismissal**

Go in peace. Be stewards of our world.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **POSTLUDE**

**Please Pray for Those Who are Ill, in Hospital, or Requested Special Prayers:** Judy Bucholtz-Valliant, Jason Godin, Erna Handke, Marilyn Kathen, Martha Kodrzyński, Lani Lange, Erica Loevenmark, Rhonda Mau, Heather Miller, Aileen Roesler, Robert Schoof, Stan Sitkiewicz, Ruth Thom, Kaitlyn Vaillancourt, Danita Wolfgram, Mona Zadow, Tim Zadow.

**Please Pray For Those Who Mourn The Loss Of Loved Ones;** especially, this day we pray for the family and friends of Joe Lawrence that they would find comfort in the promises of our risen Saviour.

### **News & Announcements**

#### **SEASONS OF CREATION**

Today we begin a month long journey joining with our brothers and sisters in Christ around the world celebrating the Season of Creation.

#### **THANK YOU**

Thank you so much for anyone helping with donating things for the food bank.

I would like to ask for some help if you have any of these things:

- 1) Plastic bags from the grocery store

- 2) Plastic outside milk bags
  - 3) Any type of plastic bottle except water bottles as they are too flimsy. Ensure bottles, small juice bottles, Gatorade bottles or small juice bottles or vitamin bottles are all used. We use these bottles to give out laundry detergent, dish detergent, shampoo etc. We need about 100 bottles per week. We usually can only hand out a portion of the ones needed as I do not get enough.
  - 4) Plastic bags that the papers (blue) come in or small plastic bags you get with fruits and vegetables. I use these to put their detergents in so in case of spillage the liquid does not get on their regular groceries.
- If anyone can help me with any of these things please bring to church and put in the food bank box at the top of the stairs. Our food bank is so busy now as things get harder for a lot of people so thank you for anything you can contribute. - Debbie Sitkiewicz

### **ETERNITY FOR TODAY**

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

### **CHOIR PRACTICE**

Men's and mixed choirs will resume practices @ 7 pm on Wednesday, September 7th, and Thursday, September 8th, respectively, and will continue weekly.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY AND BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS!**

Sunday September 11<sup>th</sup> will be the first day back to Sunday school. Children bring your backpacks and we will bless them in worship. Adults are encouraged to purchase school supplies and backpacks for September 11<sup>th</sup> and they will be blessed to.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED**

Are you looking to volunteer? Why not teach Sunday School? This year we are creating a six week rotation for teachers. As a teacher you would be recruited to teach twice in the fall and two or three times in the new year. Enquire to Kim Schmidt, Ellen Vandersleen or Pastor Scott for more info.

## CONFIRMATION NEWS

1. Confirmation first year orientation will be on September 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:20am in the youth room.
2. Confirmation classes for years one and two start Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm

## SERVICE OF BLESSING OF ANIMALS - OCTOBER 2<sup>nd</sup> AT 3:00PM

Join us with a Service of Blessing of the Animals on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 3:00pm. The service will be held in the parish hall. It is a fun service and joy to be with all God's creatures. No Giraffes allowed.



### ***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 in September 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm.



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

The next "**Living Stones**" worship is today - **Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup> 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.



**This Week at Zion – September 5 - 11**

**Mon**                      **Labour Day – Office Closed**  
**Tues**        **7pm**      **Worship & Music Cte. Mtg.**  
                  **7pm**      Narcotics Anonymous  
**Wed**        **3pm**      **ZLW Mtg.**  
                  **7pm**      **Men’s Choir Practice**  
**Thurs**       **7pm**      **Mixed Choir Practice**  
                  **7pm**      Music Healing Vets  
**Fri**         **6:30pm** **Pulse Youth Night**  
**Sat**         **11:30am** **Private Inurnment of David Marshall**  
**Sunday**   **10am**   **Worship Service with Holy Communion, Rally**  
**Sunday & Blessing of Back Packs**

**Today’s Scheduled Worship Volunteers**

**Worship Assistant:** Lorraine MacKenzie

**Sexton:** Koit Rull

**Projector Operator:** Ellen Vandersleen

**Video Recorder:** Daniel Reid

**Sound Operator:** Gerry Vandersleen

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