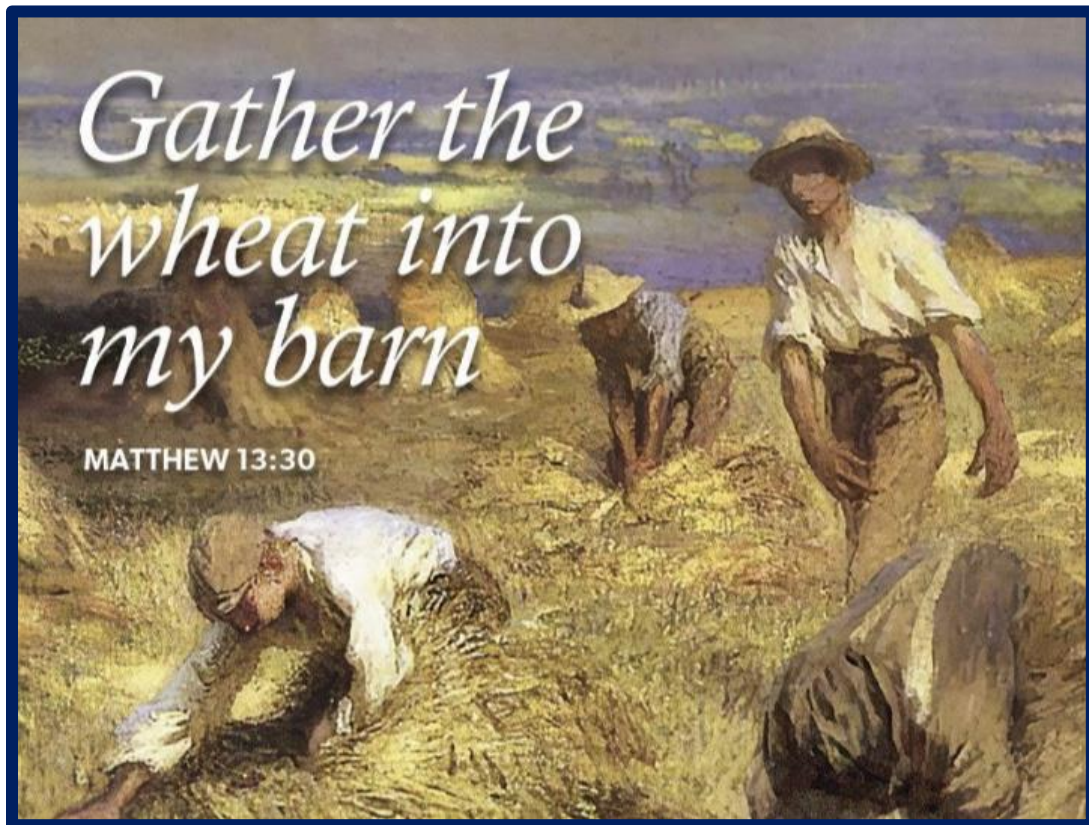


EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

A Service of Word & Sacrament

July 23, 2023



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

85 E. Brandt Boulevard

Landisville, PA

Connecting with God; Connecting with others; Connecting others with God

GENERAL INFORMATION

WELCOME TO ZION! We are glad you have chosen to worship with us in-person or online today! For in-person worshippers, all words and parts of the service will be projected on the screen in the front of the sanctuary. If you prefer a printed bulletin, they are available on the table in the Narthex by the entrance to the Sanctuary. The service contains the four parts of the Lutheran liturgy (The Gathering, The Word, The Meal, and The Sending). If you have any questions concerning our service, please do not hesitate to talk with our pastor, Pastor Tim.

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AT ZION

IN-PERSON: All are invited to join us for worship at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday morning. During the summer months (June-September), the service will be held outdoors on the first Sunday of each month.

ONLINE: Worship services are live-streamed on the church YouTube channel: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live. If you are unable or prefer not to watch during the live-stream, the recording is available to view any time after the service concludes. When the service is held outdoors, there will be no live-stream.

FOR THOSE WORSHIPPING IN-PERSON

- ❖ Restrooms are available by the front entrance of the church in the Narthex and in the hallway off the back door. Infant changing tables can be found in the women's and men's bathrooms in the hallway off the back door.
- ❖ Children are welcome to be active participants in the worship service. There are bags located at the back of the sanctuary with quiet worship activities and goodies to take home. Currently, nursery care is not available but you may use the Parlor as a cry room while also still being able to listen to the service.
- ❖ Ushers are located near the front and back of the worship area to direct people to seating and to the offering plates.
- ❖ Mask wearing is optional for all who attend or participate in indoor gatherings, including worship, at the church.

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

P: Pastor A: Assisting Minister C: Congregation (**bolded**)

† THE GATHERING †

INTRODUCTION

It is an age-old question: why is there evil in the world? In the parable of the wheat and the weeds Jesus suggests that both grow together until the harvest. With Paul, we long for the day that all creation will be set free from bondage and suffering. Having both weeds and wheat within us, we humbly place our hope in the promises of God, and from the Lord's table we go forth to bear the fruit of justice and mercy.

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & GOD-SIGHTINGS

PRELUDE *Prelude on "Hanover"* arr. by Ethel Tench Rogers

Please stand if you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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

C: **Amen.**

P: 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.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P: Most merciful God,

C: **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.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

HYMN

Oh, Worship the King

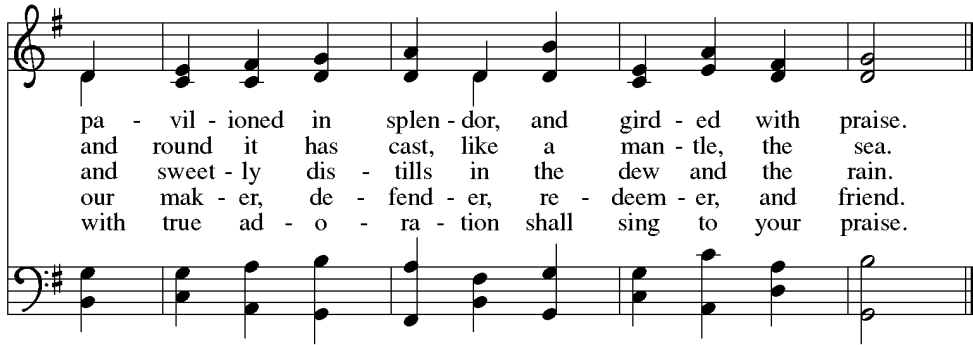
ELW 842

1 Oh, wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove.
 2 The earth with its store of won - ders un - told,
 3 Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?
 4 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,
 5 O mea - sure - less might, in - ef - fa - ble love,

Oh, grate - ful - ly sing God's pow - er and love;
 Al - might - y, your pow'r has found - ed of old;
 It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,
 in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
 while an - gels de - light to hymn you a - bove,

our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
 es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
 it streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,
 your mer - cies, how ten - der, how firm to the end,
 the hum - bler cre - a - tion, though fee - ble their lays,





Text: Robert Grant, 1779–1838, alt.
Music: HANOVER, William Croft, 1678–1727

GREETING

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

C: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Faithful God, most merciful judge, you care for your children with firmness and compassion. By your Spirit nurture us who live in your kingdom, that we may be rooted in the way of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

.C: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

† THE WORD †

ISAIAH 44:6-8

There is no other God than the LORD.

A: ⁶Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. ⁷Who is like me? Let them proclaim it, let them declare and set it forth before me. Who has announced from of old the things to come? Let them tell us what is yet to be. ⁸Do not fear, or be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? You are my witnesses! Is there any god besides me? There is no other rock; I know not one.

Word of God. Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 86:11-17

Please read responsively.

A: ¹¹Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart to revere your name.

C: ¹²**I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart, and glorify your name forevermore.**

¹³For great is your love toward me; you have delivered me from the pit of death.

¹⁴**The arrogant rise up against me, O God, and a band of violent people seeks my life; they have not set you before their eyes.**

¹⁵But you, O Lord, are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth.

¹⁶**Turn to me and have mercy on me; give your strength to your servant, and save the child of your handmaid.**

¹⁷Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame; because you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

ROMANS 8:12-25

The revealing of the children of God.

A: ¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. 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.

¹⁸I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. ¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; ²⁰for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved.

Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S CHAT

Please stand if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Good Soil

ELW 512

Lord, let my heart be good soil,
Open to the seed of your word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil,
Where love can grow and peace is understood.
When my heart is hard, break the stone away.
When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.
When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart be good soil.

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MATTHEW 13:24-30, 36-43

The parable of the weeds.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 13th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: ²⁴[Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field;²⁵but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ ²⁸He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ ²⁹But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’ ”

³⁶Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” ³⁷He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴²and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”


The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

MESSAGE

Pastor Tim Seitz-Brown

<p>The master allowed an enemy to sow suffering into the good creation, with the hope and expectation that it would be sorted out in the harvest.</p> <p>One day all suffering will be gathered up and done away with.</p> <p>Until then, trying to sort the good from the bad only adds to the suffering.</p> <p>“God loves everybody!” versus “<u>We love us</u> and <u>we hate them.</u>”</p>	<p>But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;</p> <p>That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.</p> <p>For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same?</p> <p>Matthew 5:44-46</p> <div data-bbox="745 1128 1223 1518"></div>
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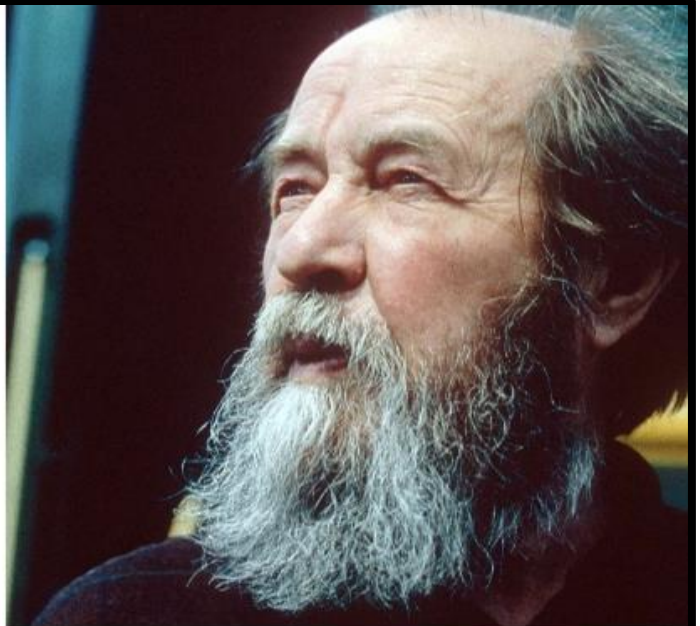
Alexandr Solzhenitsyn

Gradually it was disclosed to me that the line separating good and evil passes not through states, nor between classes, nor between political parties either -- but right through every human heart -- and through all human hearts.

This line shifts. Inside us, it oscillates with the years. And even within hearts overwhelmed by evil, one small bridgehead of good is retained. And even in the best of all hearts, there remains ... an un/uprooted small corner of evil.

The struggle with evil is inside a human being (inside every human being).

It is impossible to expel evil from the world in its entirety, but it is possible to constrict it within each person.



God desires:

Everyone to be seen as a treasured child of God.

Everyone to receive their daily bread.

For us to move from the revenge cycle to the forgiveness cycle which makes healing possible.

For us to resist the temptation to "fight monsters and thereby becoming monsters ourselves.

For the glory of God and the harmony of creation to be realized in this and every moment.



Please stand if you are able.

HYMN

God of the Fertile Fields

The musical score is written for a four-part vocal choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It consists of four systems of music. Each system has a vocal line with four staves (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and a piano line with two staves (Right and Left Hand). The lyrics are written below the vocal staves. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The score ends with a double bar line.

1 God of the fer - tile fields, sha - per of
2 We would be stew - ards true, hold - ing in
3 As grows the hid - den seed to fruit that
4 God of the coun - try - side, dear to the

earth that yields our dai - ly bread: forth from your
trust from you all that you give; help us in
serves our need, so your reign grows. Let all our
Christ who died to make us one: we pledge our

boun - teous hand come gifts your love has planned,
love to share, teach us like you to care
toil be used, no gift of yours a - busied,
lives a - new in faith - ful love to you.

that all in ev - 'ry land be clothed and fed.
for peo - ple ev - 'ry - where, that all may live.
no hum - ble task re - fused your love be - stows.
Guide all we say and do. Your will be done.

Text: Georgia Harkness, 1891–1974, alt.

Music: ITALIAN HYMN, Felice de Giardini, 1716–1796

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APOSTLES' CREED

P: Let us profess our faith together.

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

A: Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation. O God, you call your church to announce the gospel of reconciliation and truth both near and far. Guide your church as it seeks your wisdom and shares it, trusting your Spirit bearing witness among us. Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

You brought forth all creation and called it good. Direct policymakers to protect lands and seas. Bring rain to sun-parched fields and protect areas impacted by natural disasters. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You desire peace among nations and peoples. Guard our neighborhoods from hatred, watch over police officers and firefighters, and teach us to advocate for those who live in fear. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You are gracious and merciful, comforting those who suffer any affliction. Sustain your people living with HIV or AIDS, provide shelter for all who are unhoused, and release any who are unjustly imprisoned. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You name each of us as your children. Guide our hospitality ministry to welcome all, our education ministry to equip us for faithful living, and our social ministry to enact the gospel in our community. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You send faithful people to proclaim freedom from bondage and to renew your church. Encourage us by the witness of the faithful departed, so that we live into that same hope. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Additional prayers may be lifted up by the congregation and/or pastor.

P: Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: **Amen.**

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

† THE MEAL †

PRAYER

A: God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: 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:

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

P: 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.

C: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

P: 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.

C: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

P: With 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.

C: **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: We pray together.

C: **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

P: All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

PARTAKING IN THE BREAD AND CUP OF SALVATION

All baptized Christians are welcome to partake of the Holy Sacrament by coming forward to receive the elements in continuous fashion. Those who do not or choose not to partake of the sacrament may come forward and receive a blessing. If you are unable to come forward, please let one of the ushers know and the pastor will come to you.

For those not able to have red wine, there is grape juice in the outer circle of every tray. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. When given the bread and cup, the communion ministers will say: "The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you," to which you may respond: "Amen."

Please use this time for quiet reflection or join in singing the communion songs until all worshippers have communed and have returned to their seats.

COMMUNION SONGS

You Are My All in All

BB 100

1. You are my strength when I am weak,
You are the treasure that I seek;
You are my all in all.

Seeking You as a precious jewel,
Lord to give up, I'd be a fool;
You are my all in all.

Refrain

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name!
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name!

2. Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,
Rising again I bless Your name;
You are my all in all.

When I fall down, You pick me up;
When I am dry, You fill my cup;
You are my all in all. *Refrain*

Broken for Me

BB 83

Refrain: Broken for me, broken for you;
The body of Jesus broken for you.

1. He offered his body, he poured out his soul;
Jesus was broken that we might be whole. *Refrain.*

2. Come to my table and with me dine;
Eat of my bread and drink of my wine. *Refrain.*

3. This is my body given for you;
Eat it, rememb'ring I died for you. *Refrain.*

4. This is my blood I shed for you;
For your forgiveness, making you new. *Refrain.*

Please stand if you are able.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

† THE SENDING †

BLESSING

P: The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed † bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

C: **Amen.**

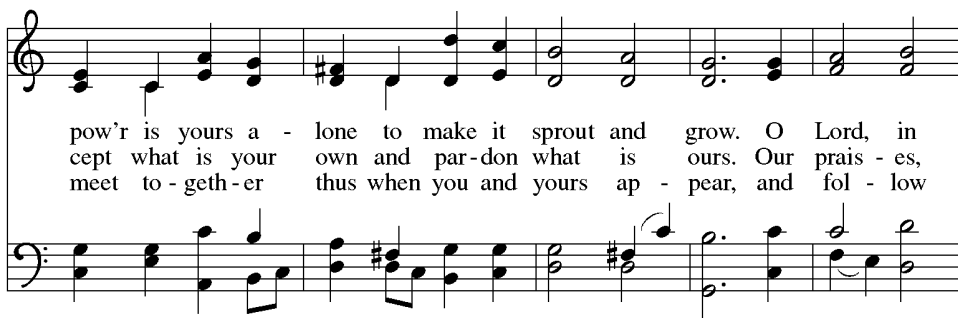
SENDING SONG

On What Has Now Been Sown

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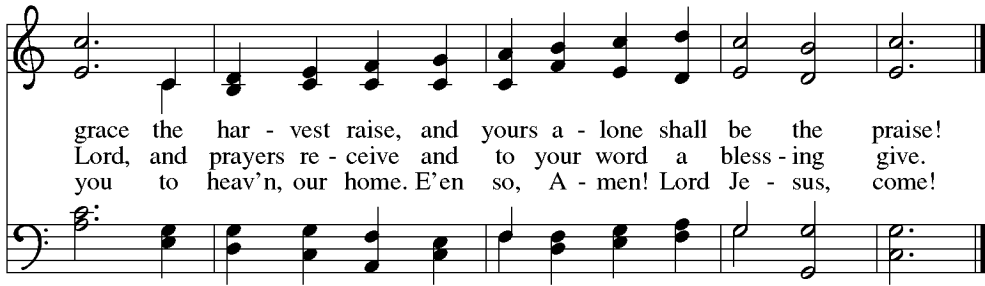


1 On what has now been sown your bless-ing Lord, be - stow; the
2 To you our wants are known, from you are all our pow'rs; ac -
3 Oh, grant that each of us, now met be - fore you here, may



pow'r is yours a - lone to make it sprout and grow. O Lord, in
cept what is your own and par-don what is ours. Our prais - es,
meet to - geth - er thus when you and yours ap - pear, and fol - low





grace the har - vest raise, and yours a - lone shall be the praise!
 Lord, and prayers re - ceive and to your word a bless - ing give.
 you to heav'n, our home. E'en so, A - men! Lord Je - sus, come!

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt.
 Music: DARWALL'S 148TH, John Darwall, 1731–1789

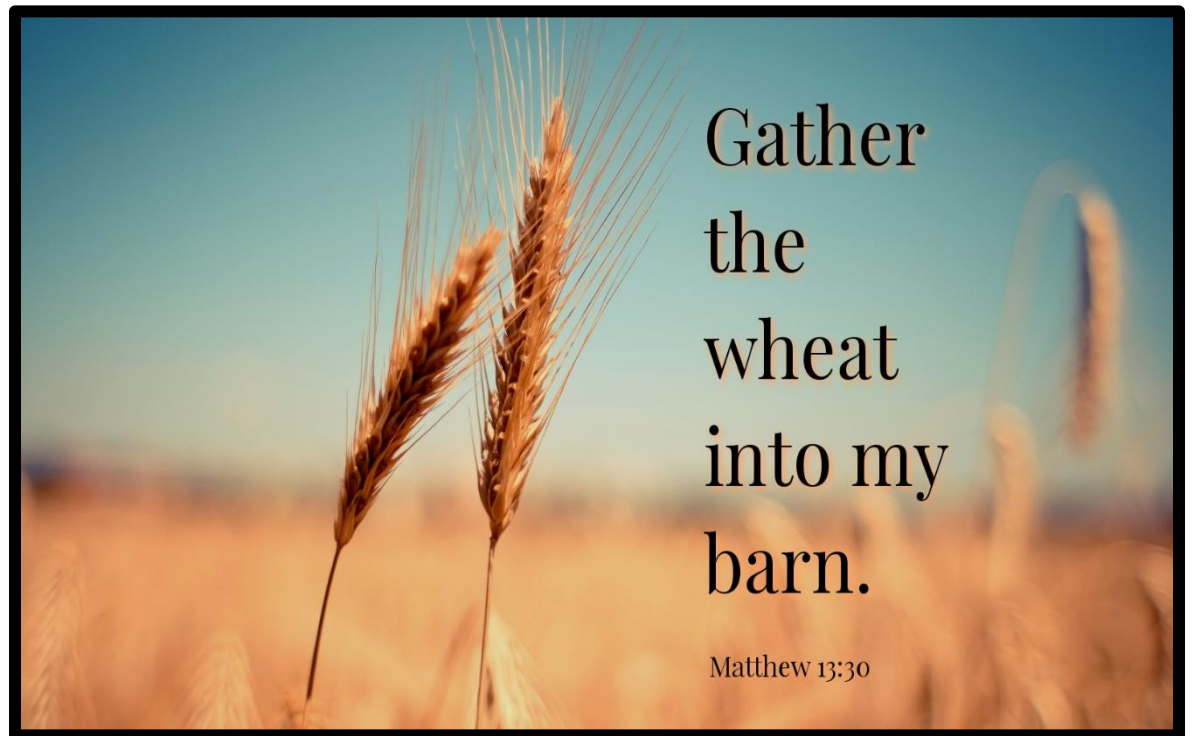
DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Postlude on “Darwall’s 148th”



THIS WEEK AT ZION

Sunday, July 23

** The flowers are sponsored by Amy & Jeff Thompson in celebration of Sarah and Connor's anniversary on July 27!*

** The communion elements are sponsored by Jim Grube in honor of his and Jere's parents.*

Worship – 9:00 a.m. (In-Person & Livestreamed/Recorded)

Livestream/Recorded Link: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

Adult Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.

Box Office Bible Study Class (“The Chosen”) – Parlor

Wired Word Class – Zone & Zoom (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>)

Monday, July 24

Food Pantry – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Social Outreach – 6 p.m.

Tuesday, July 25

Bible Study – 9 a.m. (Parlor)

Forgiveness Bible Study – 7 p.m. (Parlor)

Wednesday, July 26

Food Pantry – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Picnic in the Park – 11:30 a.m. (Salunga Park Pavilion @ the E. Hempfield Twp.

Fire Department, Main St.)

Thursday, July 27

Friday, July 28

Saturday, July 29

Model Club – 5 p.m. (Social Room)

Sunday, July 30

Worship – 9:00 a.m. (In-Person & Livestreamed/Recorded)

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Adult Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.

Box Office Bible Study Class (“The Chosen”) – Parlor

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ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, & EVENTS

BIBLE STUDY ON FORGIVENESS

The Bible Study on Forgiveness will be held on Tuesday, July 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parlor. This study focuses on Desmond & Mpho Tutu's book "The Book of Forgiving: The Fourfold Path to Healing Ourselves and Our World." All are welcome!

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study group meets at 9 a.m. in the Parlor. All are invited to come for inspirational scripture-based discussion.



SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING REMINDER

The special congregational meeting to vote on the updated Constitution and Bylaws of the church will be held on Sunday, August 6 following worship. Please plan to attend!



AUGUST 6 & SEPTEMBER 3

Mark your calendar for the other outdoor services in the next couple of months. Feel free to dress casually and bring your own chair (or blanket if you prefer to sit on the grass). If you can't bring a chair, come anyway—there will be some available!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AT 10:30 a.m.

- The class that meets in the Parlor is continuing their study on "The Chosen" through August 13. The class will not meet on August 6.
- The Wired Word class will meet in the Zone and on Zoom through July. The class will not meet in August but will resume on September 10.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF CARE KIT SUMMER PROJECT

Thank you to everyone who has donated items for LWR's Care Kit project! There is still time to bring in items through the summer months. Place all donations in the bin in the Narthex. Items needed per kit: 2 bath-size bars of soap; one sturdy comb (remove packaging); one light-weight bath-size towel; one adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging; one metal nail-clippers (remove packaging).

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Financial giving statements for the first part of the year are in mailboxes! Use your record as we move into the second half of the year and think about the budget and expenses of church ministry and programs.



Tom and Brian will both be away the week of August 6. If you are willing to help out that week with checking things around the church and cleaning (e.g., bathrooms, hallways, trash cans), please let Anne know.

REQUESTED PANTRY ITEMS

If you are interested in donating items, the Pantry is requesting the following: cereal, canned mixed vegetables, canned corn, canned green beans, canned carrots, canned potatoes, spaghetti sauce, large jar of peanut butter, large jar of jelly, macaroni and cheese, cream of broccoli soup, cream of celery soup, and vegetable soup.

SUMMER DEVOTIONALS

The June-August devotional booklets are available on the ushers' table and in the back hallway. Help yourself!



DINNER CHURCH AT THE WITTEL FARM

All are welcome to gather with others in the Synod at The Wittel Farm for dinner on Sunday, July 30.

The meal begins at 6:00 p.m.

Directions from Landisville

- Take Rt. 283 West toward Harrisburg
- Exit at Hershey/E-Town exit; follow Rt. 743 South
- Travel straight through traffic light
- Pass Pizza Hut and Hoss's. At the next full intersection turn right onto Spring Garden Street
- At third stop sign, turn right onto Mill Rd.
- Go nine-tenths of a mile to The Wittel Farm on the right



This month's Joyful Noise offering will go to Bethany Christian Services' Safe Families for Children program. This program provides support for families as they experience difficulties in caring for themselves or their children as they take steps toward stability.

OFF THE STREETS DONATIONS

Donations continue to be accepted for Off the Streets. There is a list of requested items on the white board between the mailboxes in the Narthex. Questions? Contact Pat L.



2023 SUMMER PICNIC SCHEDULE

Mark your calendar and plan to join us for lunch and fellowship!

- **Wednesday, July 26 at 11:30 a.m.**
– Salunga Park (At the Hempfield Fire Station on Main St. Landisville/Salunga)
- **Thursday, August 31 at 11:30 a.m.** – Rapho Twp. Park
- **Wednesday, September 27 at 11:30 a.m.** – A. Herr Park



At the end of 2022, a goal was made to return to our traditional sit-down meal rather than to continue with a drive-thru takeout format. In discussions with many of our community partners this past spring, they expressed a desire to have more opportunities to interact with those attending the meal and to provide some time for folks to socialize during the meal.

Since there are no meals during the summer months, we decided that after the break, we will return to a sit-down meal in our Social Room beginning in September. We have no idea what the response will be from the attendees. The number of groups sponsoring a meal has declined, so we have decided that we will begin with two meals per month, on the second and fourth Thursdays.

Of course, we always have the option to return to a weekly meal if attendance warrants and sponsors are available. This change will also require some different tasks to have the Social Room ready for each meal. Stay tuned for opportunities to volunteer for The Community Meal!



Dear Zion Council and Membres,
I just want to send a note of thanks for providing the entire cost for Emma and me to go to Family Camp at Nawakwa this past week. That was a most pleasant surprise and greatly appreciated. -Dolly O.



MT. GRETTA BIBLE FESTIVAL 2023

Summer at the Tabernacle | Worship, Speakers and Concerts



July 23 Sunday 7 p.m. Speaker
Rev. Alan Robinson National Director of the Brethren in Christ, U.S.,
 Dillsburg, Pa.



July 30 Sunday 7 p.m. Concert
Choir Festival Internationally renowned composer Robert Lau, retired
 church musician and college professor, directs over 150 voices in a joyous concert.
Sponsored by Loser's Music. Concert made possible by the Estate of Douglas Troutman.

August 2 Wednesday 7 p.m. Hymn Sing
 Led by **Bob Kettering and Dr. Rod Shearer**. Congregational favorites from the
 Celebration Hymnal.



August 5 Saturday 7 p.m. Concert
Handbell Festival Under the direction of Dr. Shawn Gingrich, Hershey,
 Pa., ringers from the area will ring the praise and glory of God.

7:00 p.m. at the Tabernacle

*** Concerts on Fridays**

*** Worship on Sundays**



August 6 Sunday 7 p.m. Concert

Lancaster British Brass Band

28 instrumentalists from Pennsylvania,
 Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey playing
 brass, winds and percussion instruments.
 Directed by Dr. Stephen Arthur Allen.



August 9 Wednesday 7 p.m.

Concert

Victory Express Ministries A family gospel
 group providing evangelistic ministry for more than 40 years.
Sponsored by JoAnn Thomas Show.



August 13 Sunday 7 p.m. Speaker

Bob Kettering Chairperson of the Bible Festival Committee, Bob has
 served in 7 interim pastorates since his retirement from full-time ministry in 2015.
 Chancel Choir of the Lancaster Church of the Brethren will provide music.



August 20 Sunday 7 p.m. Concert

The Susquehanna

Chorale One of the
 premier choral groups in the
 nation, directed by Linda
 Tedford, makes its traditional
 late summer appearance.

Sponsored by Traditions of Hershey.



August 27 Sunday 7 p.m.

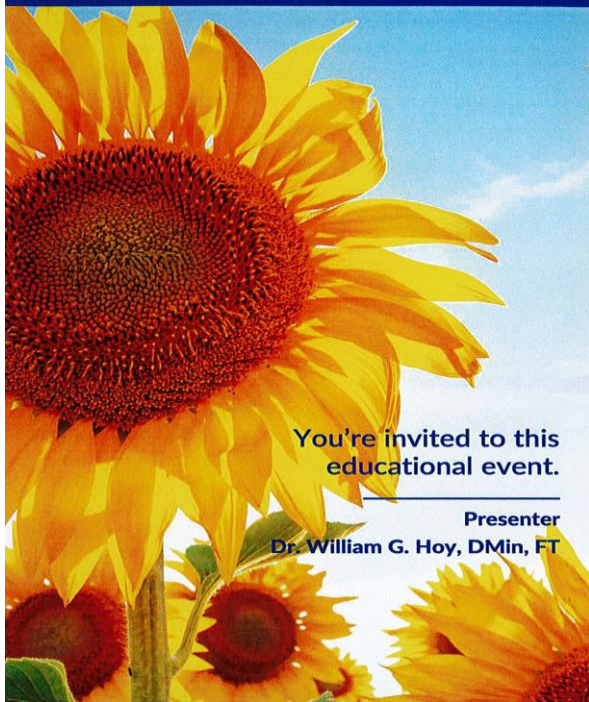
Concert

QuintEssentially Brass

A quintet with their engaging personalities and
 sparkling instrumental performances end another
 season. *Sponsored by Arthur Funk & Sons.*



COMPASSION in the Congregation



You're invited to this
educational event.

Presenter
Dr. William G. Hoy, DMin, FT

August 15, 2023 / morning or
evening

Charles F. Snyder Funeral Homes & Crematory
2421 Willow Street Pike, Willow Street, PA 17584



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**Building Compassionate Care in Your
Congregation (Clergy & Ministry Leaders)**

Tuesday 8/15 8-10:30am - Breakfast + Workshop

**Developing a Practical Heart of Compassion for
Others: What to Say and Do to Minister**

(Lay volunteers and others interested in the congregation's caregiving ministries.)

Tuesday 8/15 6:30-8:30pm - Dinner + Workshop

REGISTRATION COMPASSION in the Congregation

EASY AS 1-2-3

1. CHOOSE A SESSION

Tuesday, August 15, 2023 // 8 – 10:30am

Tuesday, August 15, 2023 // 6:30 – 8:30pm

2. REGISTER ONLINE



Scan this code with
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3. ATTEND-Willow Street Location!

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Willow Street, PA 17584

Registration deadline is July 21, 2023.

Register early; space is limited.

PRAYER LIST

FOR HEALING

Dolly Overly	Jon Wright	Bob Shirk	Tom Grzybowski
Jess Barcaro	Harry Musselman	Sam King	Bill Grove
Connie Alsedek	Joe Adams	Mary Zimmerman	Marvin Ruch
Kate Donnan	Judie Ingersoll	Joan Mays	Holly Hoover
Barb Williams	Kay Crawford	Christian Benedict	
Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)		William Hartman (Father of Deb Grube)	
Lori Weber (Daughter of Dolly Overly)		Elaine Reuschlein (Friend of Barb Williams)	
Brook Ross (Friend of Barb Williams)		Walter Thalgott (Brother of Thelma Pearson)	
Jeff Long (Nephew of Rick & Deb Long)			
Jennifer Wiley (Niece of Pat Landis and friend of Mary Hetrick)			
Jack Taylor (4-year-old son of the niece of Deb Grube)			
Harmony & Family (Friends of Kim & Jim Paternoster)			
Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)			

FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Thelma Pearson	Lucy Davis	Deb McCartney	George Potts
Ruth Burkett (Mother of Deb Long)		Arlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)	
Dorothy Mattern (Mother of Denise Haun)		Ed & Dotty Sites (Parents of Cathy Benedict)	
Peggy & Rick Dolly (Relatives of Barb Williams)			
Jennifer Kready (Daughter of Dave & Donna Dumeyer)			
Randy & Rae Miller as they grieve the death of her mother, Barbara Rae Oeschger			

FOR PROTECTION FOR MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS

Evan Benedict	Christopher Wright	Chris Andrew	Thom Whitesel
Ryan Stitzel	Doug Kautter	Justin Gorlaski	
Tyler Duke (Great Grandson of Jan Reeves)			
Corey Landis (Nephew of Jesse & Pat Landis)			
David Adams (Son-in-law of John & Kathleen Hay, and husband of Liz)			

IN CELEBRATION

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

24th – Noah Hindes, Kyle Ramer
27th – Diane Gerlach, Mary Green, Tyler Gunzenhauser, Diane Rainar
28th – Joan Oberrender, Michele Rickert
29th – Kayla Gromen, Prudence Jarvie

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

27th – Sarah & Connor Chapman

MINISTRY LEADERS

Ministers
Pastor
Music Director
Parish Administrator
Worship Technology Assistant
Lay Ministry Assistant
Council President
Council Vice President
Sextons

Members of the Congregation
Rev. Timothy Seitz-Brown
John Landis
Anne Rankin
David Albin
Diane Gerlach
Kim Paternoster
Denise Haun
Brian Bourassa (a.m.)
Tom Miller (p.m.)

WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFORMATION

Worship	Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.
Livestream & Recorded Link	http://bit.ly/Zion_Live
Outdoor Worship	8/6; 9/3 @ 9:00 a.m. (No livestream)
Bible Study “The Chosen” Class (Parlor)	Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. (thru July)
Wired Word Class (Zone & Zoom)	Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. (thru July) https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266
Morning Bible Study	Tuesdays @ 9:00 a.m.
Forgiveness Bible Study	Tuesday 7/25 @ 7:00 p.m. (Parlor)
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