

A Brief Form of the Service

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Lutheran Service Book – Divine Service Setting 3

Zion Lutheran Church, Petoskey, MI

August 29, 2021

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

PRESERVICE MUSIC & THE BELLS

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN “Fight the Good Fight” LSB #664

INVOCATION *(Please rise)*

Pastor: We begin in God’s Name:
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: **who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

People: **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Pastor: Let us confess our sins to the Lord:
O almighty God, merciful Father,

ALL: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You, and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

PSALM *Psalm 119: 129-136*

P: Your testimonies are wonderful;
C: therefore my soul keeps them.
P: The unfolding of your words gives light;
C: it imparts understanding to the simple.
P: I open my mouth and pant,
C: because I long for your commandments.
P: Turn to me and be gracious to me,
C: as is your way with those who love your name.
P: Keep steady my steps according to your promise,
C: and let no iniquity get dominion over me.
P: Redeem me from man's oppression,
C: that I may keep your precepts.
P: Make your face shine upon your servant,
C: and teach me your statutes.
P: My eyes shed streams of tears,
C: because people do not keep your law.

SALUTATION & COLLECT PRAYER

P: The Lord be with you.
C: **And with thy spirit.**

(Please be seated)

THE EPISTLE *Ephesians 6: 10-20*

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴ Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵ and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷ and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸ praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, ¹⁹ and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Mark 7: 14-23*

¹⁴ And he called the people to him again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵ There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him." ¹⁷ And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. ¹⁸ And he said to them, "Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, ¹⁹ since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.) ²⁰ And he said, "What comes out of a person is what defiles him. ²¹ For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, ²² coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. ²³ All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise be to You, O Christ.**

THE HYMN OF THE DAY "Not What These Hands Have Done" LSB #567

THE SERMON

THE CREED

Pastor: We confess our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed:

ALL: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

THE OFFERING

We will continue to receive your Offerings in the wooden box at the entrance. However, the Offerings will be brought forward by an Elder and as they are brought forward the congregation arises and sings:

"We Give Thee But Thine Own" LSB #781

**We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

PRAYERS

[After each petition, we will respond:]

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy...

People: Hear our prayer.

[At the conclusion of our prayers, we join together...]

ALL: 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.

BENEDICTION

P: And now, receive the blessing of our God:

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with His favor, and grant to you His peace.

ALL: Amen

THE CLOSING HYMN "Praise to You and Adoration" LSB #692

POSTSERVICE MUSIC