



**Zion Lutheran Church, Indiana PA  
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost  
July 23 & 24, 2022**

**Prelude** Marissa Bruno - Substitute Organist

**Confession and Forgiveness: Page 94**

**Entrance Hymn: ELW #688 "Lord of Light"**

*Abbot's Leigh*

**Apostolic Greeting: Page 203**

**Glory be to God in Heaven: Page 204**

**Prayer of the Day**

Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32**

<sup>20</sup>Then the LORD said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! <sup>21</sup>I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

<sup>22</sup>So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. <sup>23</sup>Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup>Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup>Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" <sup>26</sup>And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake."

<sup>27</sup>Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup>Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." <sup>29</sup>Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." <sup>30</sup>Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." <sup>31</sup>He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy

it.”<sup>32</sup>Then he said, “Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.”

## **Psalm: Psalm 138**

<sup>1</sup>I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with <sup>1</sup> my whole heart;  
before the gods I will <sup>1</sup> sing your praise.

<sup>2</sup>**I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast <sup>1</sup> love and faithfulness;**

**for you have glorified your name and your word a- <sup>1</sup>bove all things. R**

<sup>3</sup>When I called, you <sup>1</sup> answered me;  
you increased my <sup>1</sup> strength within me.

<sup>4</sup>**All the rulers of the earth will praise <sup>1</sup> you, O LORD,  
when they have heard the words <sup>1</sup> of your mouth.**

<sup>5</sup>They will sing of the ways <sup>1</sup> of the LORD,  
that great is the glory <sup>1</sup> of the LORD.

<sup>6</sup>**The LORD is high, yet cares <sup>1</sup> for the lowly,  
perceiving the haughty <sup>1</sup> from afar. R**

<sup>7</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you <sup>1</sup> keep me safe;  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right <sup>1</sup> hand shall save me.

<sup>8</sup>**You will make good your pur- <sup>1</sup> pose for me;**

**O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works <sup>1</sup> of your hands. R**

## **Second Reading: Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]**

<sup>6</sup>As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, <sup>7</sup>rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

<sup>8</sup>See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ.

<sup>9</sup>For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup>and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. <sup>11</sup>In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; <sup>12</sup>when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup>And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup>erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup>He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it. [

<sup>16</sup>Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. <sup>17</sup>These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. <sup>18</sup>Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, <sup>19</sup>and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.]

**Gospel Acclamation: Page 205**

**Glory to You O Lord: (Spoken)**

**Gospel: Luke 11:1-13**

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.”<sup>2</sup>He said to them, “When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

<sup>3</sup>Give us each day our daily bread.

<sup>4</sup>And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.”

<sup>5</sup>And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; <sup>6</sup>for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ <sup>7</sup>And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’

<sup>8</sup>I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

<sup>9</sup>“So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. <sup>11</sup>Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? <sup>12</sup>Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? <sup>13</sup>If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

**Praise to You O Christ: (Spoken)**

**Homily: Pastor Tedd Cogar**

**Hymn of the Day: ELW #745 “Lord, Teach Us How to Pray Aright”**

*Song 67*

**Apostle’s Creed: Page 105**

**Prayers of Intercession**

**Peace: Page 206**

**Offertory Music**

**Offertory Canticle: ELW #186 “Create in Me a Clean Heart”**

**Offertory Payer:**

**A:** Let us pray,

**C: God of abundance: You have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

**Great Thanksgiving: Page 206**

**“Holy, Holy, Holy”: Page 207**

**Eucharistic Prayer: Altar Book**

**Lord’s Prayer: Page 208**

**Lamb of God: Page 208**

**Invitation to Communion:**

**P:** In Christ’s presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

**Communion Hymn: ELW #471 “Let Us Break Bread Together”**

**Communion Blessing:**

**Post Communion Prayer:**

**A:** Let us pray.

**C: Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

**Hymn for Peace: ELW #749 “O God of Love, O King of Peace”**

**Prayer for Peace**

**A:** Let us pray

**C: Oh Divine, most mighty, most merciful, our sacred stories tell us that you help and save your people. You are the fortress: may there be no more war. You are the harvest: may there be no more hunger. You are the light: may no one die alone or in despair. Oh Divine, most majestic, most motherly, grant us your life. Amen**

**Blessing:**

**P:** The God of Peace, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

**C: Amen.**

**Recessional Hymn: ELW #742 “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”**

*Converse*

**Dismissal: AM: Go in Peace. Love your Neighbor**

**C: Thanks Be to God!**

## Postlude

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## **MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY**

5:30 PM - LECTOR: Sue Dickson; ALTAR GUILD: Sat AM & PM Sharon O'Keiff;

ASSISTING MINISTER: Kevin Huston; USHERS: Rik & Bev Wissinger.

9:30 AM – LECTOR: Tyson Ellenberger; ALTAR GUILD: Sue Dickson; ASSISTING  
MINISTER: Rik Wissinger; USHER: Gary Ellenberger.

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## **PRAYER LIST**

Remember all those requesting prayer: Ernie, Alexis, Tamie, Kathy, Dale, Marvin, Tracey, Michael, Coleen, Carl, Dorina, Heather, Christian, Akou, Dan, Chris, Ken, Linda, Paula, Jeff, Tom & Jane, Shawn, Grace, Scott, Tom K, Chris, Tom W, Deb, Don, Pam & Family, Hannah, Rylan, Donald, Paul, Jenn, Bishop Lozano, Jessica, Prisca, Jim, Sande, Ruth, Cliff, Vonda, Loretta, B. Tamski, Adam, Dennis, Kristine, Ken, Gene, Tom, Dominic, Tom, Dave, Karen, Susan, Lonnie, Jeannine, Petras Family, George, Denny, Ray, Paolo, Ron, Billie, Bill, Liesl, Bob, Peter, Bob, Nancy, Abby, Jim, Royce, Rochelle, Jacqueline, Judy, Kim, Katrina, Quinn, Heidi, Bill, Lisa, Elaine, Leonard, Noelle, Ronda, Janice & Rich, Linda, Annah, Gene, Guella Family, Betty

We grieve with the family of Roberta Buchanan. Roberta passed away on July 17. Her funeral was held on July 20.

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Our Sexton, Jerry Ruffner, is retiring at the end of the year. If anyone is interested in being our sexton, starting 2023, please contact Rik Wissinger at 724-840-2335.

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**THIS WEEK AT ZION – JULY 25**

Tuesday	7:30 - Worship & Music Meeting
Wednesday	7:00 - Parish Ed Meeting
Thursday	Newsletter Mailed
Friday	<b><u>Jerry - Vacation</u></b> Zion Office Closed
Saturday	5:30 - Liturgy
Sunday	9:30 – Liturgy Narcotics Anonymous Meeting

**Next Week**      **Jerry - Vacation All Week**

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Church Attendance Last Week (July 16-17)

Saturday 16 -- Sunday 28 -- Online 73

Giving - July (First 2 weeks)

\$7,421.80

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**2022 Back to School Bash Collection**

The Back to School Bash returns for its 14th year of helping Indiana County children in need. Zion members can help by purchasing a suggested item or two and place them into the bin when you come to church. We will be collecting all through the month of July.

Zion is asked to collect: **Boxes of Crayons (max 24 count) and Plastic Pencil Boxes**

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**VBS**

This year's VBS has been set for Saturday, August 13, 2022, at Blue Spruce Park. Registration will begin at 9:00 AM, and activities will be held from 9:30 AM to 12:00 Noon. The theme is "Parable Family Fun Day". This is a family event for parents to participate in completing crafts and activities with their children as they learn the parables. Registration forms can be found at the back of the church, or you can contact the Parish Ed Committee at [ParishEd.zion@comcast.net](mailto:ParishEd.zion@comcast.net) for a registration form to be sent to you. Registration forms will be accepted until August 1.

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