

Second Sunday after Pentecost



**God sent forth his Son so that we could be
made sons and call him Abba: Father.**



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Prayer Before Worship *Our Father in heaven, we pray for the many fathers around the world. Strengthen and encourage them as they seek to care for their families. Grant grace and courage in the midst of difficult circumstances and direction and hope, in Jesus' name. Amen.*

This Week's Prayer List We pray for a portion of Zion's family and friends...Nathan, Camille, Levi, and Oliver Kelzer; Jayne Klaustermeier; Juliene Klaustermeier. We pray for those under the care of a physician, undergoing treatment and therapy, for all difficulties meeting obligations, and a strong faith for every need.

Baptism * Jocelyn Dane Pexa (b. July 22, 2021), daughter of Brett Steven & Samantha "Sam" Nicole (Cates) Pexa, was baptized on Saturday, June 11, 2022. Sponsors: Rachel Pexa and Daniel Cates.

Zion's new Preschool/Kindergarten teacher is Alicia Benning. She and her fiancé are looking for housing in the area starting August 1st. They would like to find an apartment or house to rent for him, and something for her (it could be a spare room in the basement) until they get married in October. If you have something (or know of something available) contact Mr. Marcsisak at 952-649-1717.

Vacation Bible School is June 27th-July 1st, 6-8pm. Register your child online (<https://form.jotform.com/221464191256151>) or call the office. Cost? None! Offerings go to the mission project. Plan to come a little early the first evening to complete registration.

VBS meeting today after church. Adult leaders: Pick up any materials needed for your area and prepare them for next week. We will notify you when remaining materials arrive. **Decorating** for VBS will be Fri, June 24th at 6pm with pizza and pop provided. Feel free to bring a snack to share and decorations you have from home. The following items are still needed for VBS: 75 popsicles with rounded tips to resemble test tubes, 2 jars of cheese whiz, 3 cartons of blueberries.

Baptismal Banners – The Zion Ladies Aid/LWML is seeking a volunteer (or better yet, a group of volunteers) to cross-stitch personalized Baptismal Banners for our congregation. Also, volunteers are needed to sew the backing on the Baptismal Banners and "finish" them for hanging on the display banner in church. You don't need to be a member of LA/LWML to volunteer. Interested or simply want to know more? Contact Bev Eggers at 952-466-5686.

Opening Hymn # 875

“Father, We Praise Thee!”

P In the Name of the Father † Son † Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Psalm 103

(paraphrased)

P Come, let us bless the Lord!

C Remember the many good things he does for us.

P For the Lord is like a father to his children, compassionate and merciful, filled with endless love.

C He forgives all our sins, and heals our sickness; he saves us from a life of destruction; he surrounds us with love and mercy.

P For the Lord is like a father to his children, compassionate and merciful, filled with endless love.

C He fills our lives with good things, and renews our strength. He is righteous in all that he does and brings justice to those who have been wronged.

P For the Lord is like a father to his children, compassionate and merciful, filled with endless love.

C He is not easily angered, nor does he remain angry forever. He doesn't treat us harshly or as our sins deserve.

P For the Lord is like a father to his children, compassionate and merciful, filled with endless love.

C For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so strong is his love toward us.

P As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our sins from us.

C For the Lord is like a father to his children, compassionate and merciful, filled with endless love.

P For he knows us, inside and out. He remembers how we were made—that we are dust.

C Our lives on earth are short—like wildflowers in the field.

P But God's love is from everlasting to everlasting, from generation to generation:

C To those who honor him as Lord; who listen to his voice, and do his will.

Hymn # 506

“Glory Be to God the Father!”

Collect *O God, You have prepared for those who love You such good things as surpass our understanding. Cast out all sins and evil desires from us, and pour into our hearts Your Holy Spirit to guide us into all blessedness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!*

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 65:1-9

P This is the word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to you, O God.

Epistle Reading

Galatians 3:23-4:7

P This is the word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to you, O God.

P Our Gospel Reading is from St. Luke, chapter 8.

C Praise be to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

Luke 8:26-39

P This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C Praise be to you, O Christ.

The Apostles' Creed

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn # 826

“Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling”

Sermon

Why Don't You Leave Me Alone!

Luke 8:28

Even though it may be rejected, God delivers mercy & grace.

Hymn # 725

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

Prayers & Lord's Prayer

P Bless the Lord, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word!

C Bless the Lord, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will!

P Bless the Lord, all his works, in all places of his dominion.

C Bless the Lord, O my soul!

P The Lord bless you † shine upon you † and give you peace.

C Amen!

Doxology - a capella

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him all of ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost*

Sermon Notes * When Jesus went across the sea of Galilee, it was for one purpose: to cast out the legions of demons possessing the man. He left the man there so he could go back to his people as a new man. The results are astounding. Your purpose in life is similar. God baptized you to serve a purpose. Even the little things can make a profound difference. Leave the world a better place than you found it. Do it in Jesus' Name! Amen!

Finances

Salary:

Beginning Balance (1/1/2022)	\$61,721.74
YTD Income	\$129,885.36
YTD Expenses	-\$198,176.12
Current Balance (6/2)	-\$6,569.02

Missions:

Year to date total (5/20)	\$3,520.00
Budgeted	\$3,520.00
Non-budgeted	\$0
2022 Pledged	\$6,500.00
2022 Goal	\$15,000.00

LHS:

Year to date total (5/20)	\$18,542.66
2022 Commitment	\$21,395.00
Per communicant member	\$55.00

Building/Repair Fund:

Account Balance (5/19)	\$15,345.74
Suggested household contribution	\$550.00

June 19th – 25th

Sun, June 19th

Father's Day; Sunday Service 9:30

VBS Meeting after Service

Tue, June 21st

Second School/Church Cleaning Day 8:00-11:00

Fri, June 24th

VBS Setup 6:00

June 26th – July 2nd

Sun, June 26th

Sunday Service Communion 9:30

Mon, June 27th – Fri, July 1st

VBS: God's Wonder Lab

Re: Herd of pigs drowned in Sea of Galilee...



June 12th Attendance: 91; Communed:71



Blessed is the Father who shares his heart,
lives his faith, gives his time, and loves his family.

(Proverbs 20:7)