

Announcements

Sunday In-Person Worship – In-Person worship is welcome! Masking is recommended but not required. Registration at the door and distancing will remain in effect.

Worship will continue to stream online weekly at 10:30 am. You can find us on YouTube by searching “Zion Lutheran Church Saskatoon”.

Sunday Worship Volunteers – we are in need of more volunteers Sunday mornings! If you are able to run, or would like to learn PowerPoint, Sound, ushering or help with Altar Guild, please email Kaylyn at the office.

Pied Pipes of Saskatoon – Daily Organ Recital

12:15, admission by donation.

August 30 – St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church

August 31 – All Saint’s Anglican Church

September 1 – Zion Lutheran Church

September 2 – Christ Church Anglican

Would you like to become a Stephen Minister?

Stephen Ministers are often referred to as “after people”. They get involved after someone has experienced difficulties in life such as grief, job loss, divorce, major illness, spiritual struggles and so on. Stephen Ministers provide one to one care in the midst of challenging times. A new training class is planned to start the week of October 20, 2021. Please talk to a Stephen Minister or Leader at your church. For more information please contact Pastor Hugh Farmer at (306)374-3942.

Saskatoon Norwegian Cultural Society is pleased to offer Beginner and Intermediate Norwegian Language classes beginning in September 2021. This is a fun way to learn a language, meet new people and learn about Norwegian culture. If anyone has questions or would like further information, please contact Jennifer Stanley at 306 477-1869 or e-mail jennifer.stanley@shaw.ca.

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OFFICE HOURS: Mon – Fri 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

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YouTube: search Zion Lutheran Church, Saskatoon

Sunday School Kick- Off – Sunday, September 12th

Walk in the park, weather permitting, followed by a craft and devotional. Join us at 9:15 am in the Church Foyer. Sign up with the office is recommended but not required! All are welcome.



In Our Prayers: Derwin Hall, Andrea Nostbakken, Nandari Swamy, Martin, Weldeyesus family, Mallory Jess, Wally Cubbon, Cecelia Jurgens, Vibs Paulsen, Vi Stalwick, Gloria Hamp, Betty McManus, Aaron Froese, Glenn Wood, Borgny Lokken, Samhara & Saraq, Thor Kliev, Gordon Knudsen, Ivar Moen, Don Peterson, Louise Dahlen, Robert Lammon, Terry Fisher, Mary Kamineski, Kendra & Javan, family of Charles Hedlin, Terry Afseth, Margaret Baun

Prelude: “Two Short Hymn Preludes” – Gerald Bales

Welcome

Confession & Absolution

Gathering Song: “Gather Us In” – ELW #532

Kyrie

Hymn of Praise - pg. 140

Prayer of the Day: O God our strength, without you we are weak and wayward creatures. Protect us from all dangers that attack us from the outside, and cleanse us from all evil that arises from within ourselves, that we may be preserved through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Lesson: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

Psalm 15

Second Lesson: James 1:17-27

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Homily

Hymn of the Day: “Lord, Let my Heart be Good Soil”

– ELW #512 (sing twice)

The Apostles Creed

Prayers of Intercession (P: Lord, in your mercy

C: Hear our prayer)

Offering: “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

– ELW #674

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord’s Prayer (contemporary version)

Communion: “As the Grains of Wheat” – ELW #465;

“Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life” – ELW #816

Blessings & Announcements

Sending Song: “Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven”

– ELW #864

“Go in peace – you are the body of Christ”

“Thanks be to God!”

Postlude: “Exultate” – Mark Himmelmann

Scriptures:

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!' For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today?

But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children—

James 1:17-27

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

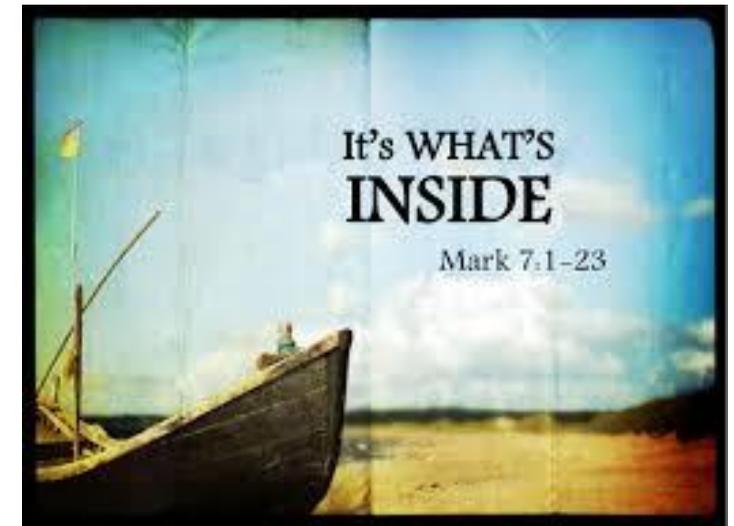
If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' He said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, "This people honours me with their lips,

but their hearts are far from me;
in vain do they worship me,
teaching human precepts as doctrines."

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.' Then he called the crowd again and said to them, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.' For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.'



Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 29, 2021

10:30 am Worship Service