

## 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”.

**Naomi Bible Studies** will resume – but not in September. Hopefully we will be able to meet in October. Watch for future announcements!

### 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](mailto:jennifer.stanley@shaw.ca).

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

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### Sunday School Kick- Off – Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>

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

## ORDER OF SERVICE

### GATHERING

Prelude: “Prelude and Fugue in G Major” – Buxtehude  
Invocation & Welcome

Confession & Absolution – pg. 94

**Gathering Song: “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”**  
– ELW 858

Holy Communion Setting #3 - pg. 138

**Prayer of the Day: Gracious God, throughout the ages, you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord.**

### WORD

**First Lesson: Isaiah 35:4-7a**

**Psalm 146**

**Second Lesson: James 2:1-10, 14-17**

Gospel Acclamation – pg. #142

**Gospel: Mark 7:24-37**

Homily: “Faith Alone is More than Words” (James 2:14)

**Hymn of the Day: “Healer of our Every Ill” – ELW #612**

Creed (inside front cover)

Prayers of Intercession: *P: Lord, in your mercy*

**C: Hear our prayer**

### MEAL

The Peace

**Offering: “God Extends an Invitation” – ELW #486**

Great Thanksgiving – pg# 144

The Lord’s Prayer (contemporary version)

**Communion: “Mighty to Save”**

Communion Blessing

### SENDING

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**Sending Song: “Oh Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate”**  
– ELW #722

Dismissal: *P: Go in peace – you are the body of Christ”*

**C: Thanks be to God!”**

Postlude: “Hyfrydol” – Ralph Vaughn Williams

## Scriptures:

### **Isaiah 35:4-7a**

Say to those who are of a fearful heart,

‘Be strong, do not fear!

Here is your God.

He will come with vengeance,  
with terrible recompense.

He will come and save you.’

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;  
then the lame shall leap like a deer,  
and the tongue of the speechless sing for  
joy.

For waters shall break forth in the  
wilderness,

and streams in the desert;

the burning sand shall become a pool,  
and the thirsty ground springs of water;  
the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp,  
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

### **James 2:1-10, 14-17**

My brothers and sisters, do you with your  
acts of favouritism really believe in our  
glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person  
with gold rings and in fine clothes comes  
into your assembly, and if a poor person in  
dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take  
notice of the one wearing the fine clothes  
and say, ‘Have a seat here, please’, while to  
the one who is poor you say, ‘Stand there’,  
or, ‘Sit at my feet’, have you not made  
distinctions among yourselves, and become  
judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my  
beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God  
chosen the poor in the world to be rich in  
faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he

has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonoured the poor. Is  
it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it  
not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, ‘You  
shall love your neighbour as yourself.’ But if you show partiality, you commit  
sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the  
whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not  
have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily  
food, and one of you says to them, ‘Go in peace; keep warm and eat your  
fill’, and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of  
that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

### **Mark 7:24-37**

From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a  
house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not  
escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit  
immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his  
feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged  
him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, ‘Let the children  
be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the  
dogs.’ But she answered him, ‘Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the  
children’s crumbs.’ Then he said to her, ‘For saying that, you may go—the  
demon has left your daughter.’ So she went home, found the child lying on  
the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon  
towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to  
him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him  
to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd,  
and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then  
looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, ‘Ephphatha’, that is, ‘Be  
opened.’ And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released,  
and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more  
he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were  
astounded beyond measure, saying, ‘He has done everything well; he even  
makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.’

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 5, 2021

10:30 am

Evangelical Lutheran Worship



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