

# Announcements

**WAYS TO GIVE AT ZION** – did you know there are many ways to give financially to Zion? Along with your offering envelope with cheque or cash inside, there are other ways to give at Zion. We accept e-transfer (sent to [zion.office@sasktel.net](mailto:zion.office@sasktel.net) – it is set up for auto-deposit) and we can set up monthly withdrawals from your bank account. You can also donate to Zion through [canadahelps.ca](http://canadahelps.ca).

The Worship Committee invites you to bring green plants from home for the worship environment at the front of the sanctuary every week. The theme is: “Let There be Greening” so we want to add as many greens as we can!

Thank you to Rev. Dr. Roger Uitti for preaching this morning!

LuMinHoS is hosting a fundraiser called Katie Lu’s Café with Silent Auction. It is today - Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup> from 2-3:30 pm in the dining room at the Aspira Village at Stonebridge. Suggested admission fee is \$20. Fundraiser café includes a beverage and dessert.

FINANCIAL UPDATE – June 2022			
	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Difference
Offering	165,489	187,083	-21,594
Line of Credit balance (as of April 2022): \$16,929.39			

**In Our Prayers:** Derwin Hall, Andrea Nostbakken, Nandari Swamy, Weldeyesus family, Mallory Jess, Cecelia Jurgens, Betty McManus, Aaron Froese, Glenn Wood, Borgny Lokken, Samhara & Saraq, Thor Kliev, Ivar Moen, Don Peterson, Louise Dahlen, Mary Kamineski, Linda and Steven, Jennifer Finstad, Bereket and family, Alice Olson, Paul Nostbakken, Gloria Hamp, Kaye Senum, Ron Anderson, Maxine Olson, Lone TysseLand, Patti Pfeifer

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

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**Sunday In-Person Worship** – In-Person worship is welcome! Worship will continue to stream online weekly at 10:00 am. Our fall schedule will begin September 11<sup>th</sup> with service being at 10:30 am.

**Canadian Lutheran World Relief and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada are calling on all Canadians to pray for those suffering through the current hunger crisis, and to give generously in support of the needs of all those affected.**

CLWR has joined its partners in the Humanitarian Coalition in an urgent response to the hunger crisis that is affecting millions of people in sub-Saharan Africa. Drought and the effects of climate change have put millions of small-scale farmers and the families they feed at risk of hunger. The COVID-19 pandemic increased the pressure, causing great difficulties for agriculture and supply chains in places like Ethiopia, Somalia and South Sudan. And now, the Ukraine crisis and its effect upon agricultural production has plunged this region of Africa into a historic hunger crisis. 50 million people are on the brink of starvation unless we act quickly and collectively. That is why we are asking you today to help provide emergency assistance in the form of food, water and livelihoods support. You can donate at [clwr.org/hungercrisis](http://clwr.org/hungercrisis) or by calling **1-800-661-2597** (Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:00pm CST) and with the **1:1 matching fund** provided by the Canadian government, the impact of your gift will increase further still. Please give what you can and pray for all those who are affected by this hunger crisis.

Welcome

**Confession & Absolution** – pg. 94  
**Praise Songs: “Come, Now is the Time to Worship”;**  
**“Jesus Paid it All”**

**Prayer of the Day:** Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**First Lesson:** Genesis 15:1-6  
**Psalm 33:12-22**  
**Second Lesson:** Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16  
**Gospel Lesson:** Luke 12:32-40

**Homily: “Keep Your Eyes on the Future”**  
**Hymn of the Day: “Blessed Assurance” – ELW #638**  
**Apostles’ Creed** – pg. 105  
**Prayers of Intercession** (P: Lord, in your mercy  
**C: Hear our prayer)**  
**Offering: “My Help, My God”**

**The Great Thanksgiving:** pg. 144  
**The Lord’s Prayer (contemporary version)**  
**Communion: “In Christ Alone”**

**Blessings & Announcements**  
**Sending Song: “How Great Thou Art” – ELW #856**  
*“Go in peace. Love your neighbor”*  
**“Thanks be to God!”**

## **Scripture Readings:**

### **Genesis 15:1-6**

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the LORD came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

### **Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16**

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going.

By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, 'as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.'

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

### **Luke 12:32-40**

'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

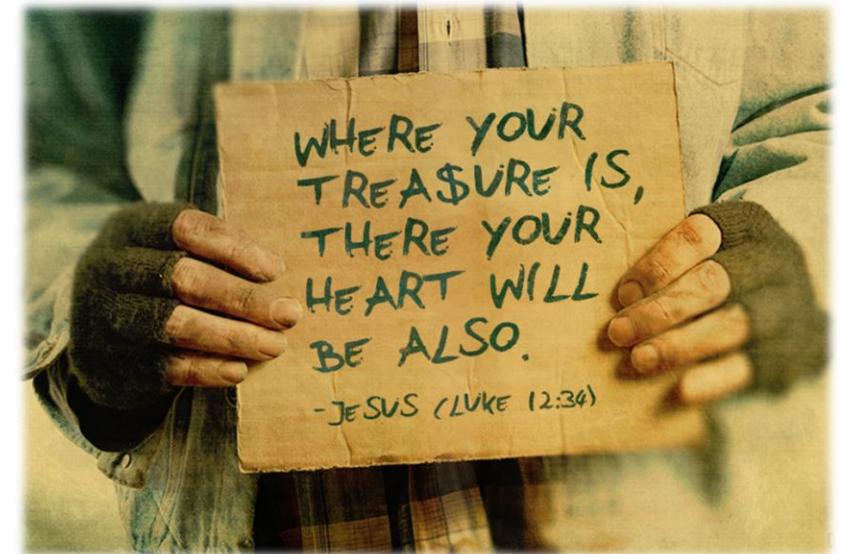
'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

August 7, 2022

10:00 am

Evangelical Lutheran Worship



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