

## **Worship Plan for Sunday, June 26, 2022**

Third Sunday after Pentecost, Year C

Zion Lutheran Church

Theme: Loving our Enemies



### **GATHERING**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

### **PRELUDE**

### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Welcome! On behalf of the Zion Church Family, a very warm welcome to our guests, friends, and family, as well as those joining us online. We are so pleased you are with us. Welcome to Zion!
- For this morning's worship, we will have Holy Communion. Instructions will be given at that time.

### **MOMENT OF SILENCE AND CENTERING**

*You are invited to center yourself in this worship through a moment of prayer.*

- *Breath Prayer – breathe deeply, recognizing God's own breath in your breath, God's presence within and beside you.*

## **GATHERING SONG - #732 Borning Cry**

- 1 "I was there to hear your borning cry,  
I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized  
to see your life unfold.  
I was there when you were but a child,  
with a faith to suit you well;  
in a blaze of light you wandered off  
to find where demons dwell."
  
- 2 "When you heard the wonder of the Word  
I was there to cheer you on;  
you were raised to praise the living Lord,  
to whom you now belong.  
If you find someone to share your time  
and you join your hearts as one,  
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme  
from dusk till rising sun."
  
- 3 "In the middle ages of your life,  
not too old, no longer young,  
I'll be there to guide you through the night,  
complete what I've begun.  
When the evening gently closes in  
and you shut your weary eyes,  
I'll be there as I have always been,  
with just one more surprise."
  
- 4 "I was there to hear your borning cry,  
I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized  
to see your life unfold."

## **HOLY BAPTISM of Henry Carter**

### **Presentation**

*Candidates for baptism, sponsors, and parents gather with the ministers at the font.*

P God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word, God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

*Sponsors for each candidate, in turn, present the candidates:*

P I invite the sponsors to present Henry for baptism.

S I present Henry Carter for baptism.

P Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

Parents: I do.

P As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with them among God's faithful people,  
bring them to the word of God and the holy supper,  
teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,  
place in their hands the holy scriptures,  
and nurture them in faith and prayer,  
so that your children may learn to trust God,  
proclaim Christ through word and deed,  
care for others and the world God made,  
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help your child grow in the Christian faith and life?

Parents: I do.

P: Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Henry in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Sponsors: I do.

P People of God, do you promise to support Henry and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

C **We do.**

### **Thanksgiving at the Font**

*Water may be poured into the font during the thanksgiving.*

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you. Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

### **Baptism**

P Henry, I baptize you in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

A You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.

P Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God,  
That through water and the Holy Spirit  
you give your daughters and sons new birth,  
cleansing them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

*Laying both hands on the head of each of the newly baptized, the minister prays for each:*

P Sustain Henry with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,  
the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*The presiding minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead of the baptized.*

P Henry, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

C **Amen.**

## **Welcome**

*A lighted candle may be given to the sponsor the newly baptized:*

A Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

*The ministers and the baptismal group face the assembly. A representative of the congregation leads the assembly in the welcome.*

A Let us welcome the newly baptized.

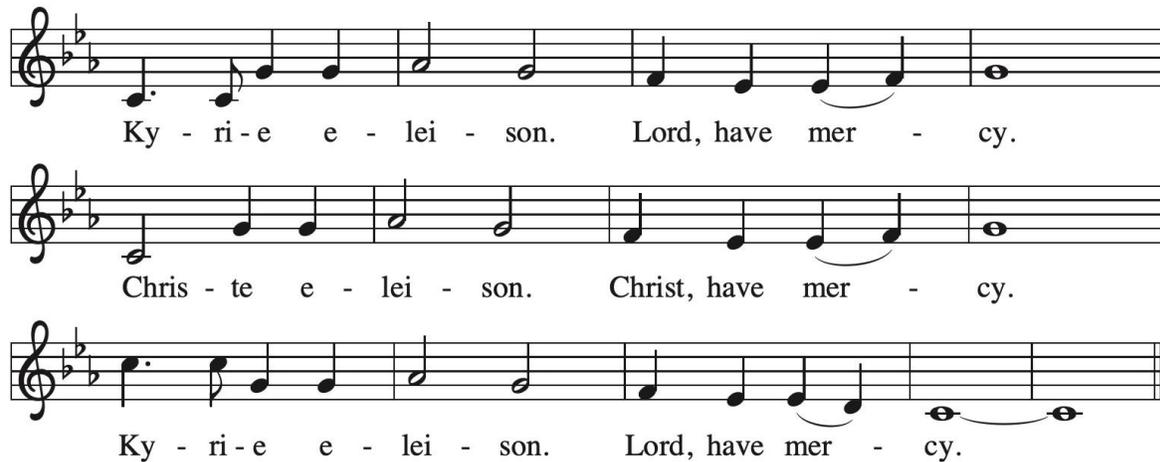
C **We welcome you into the body of Christ  
and into the mission we share:  
join us in giving thanks and praise to God  
and bearing God's creative and redeeming word  
to all the world.**

## **GREETING**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

## \*KYRIE



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray. Sovereign God, when our hearts are hardened by the world around us, you call us back to you. Grant us soft hearts and gentle spirits, that we might walk in the way of love that is shown to us by your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## WORD

*God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching and song.*

## FIRST READING

*A reading from the book of 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21 pg. 285, pew bible*

<sup>15</sup>Then the LORD said to [Elijah,] “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. <sup>16</sup>Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.

<sup>19</sup>So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. <sup>20</sup>He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” Then Elijah said to him, “Go back again; for what have I done to you?” <sup>21</sup>He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant. Word of God, word of life.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 16

<sup>1</sup>Protect me, O God, for I take ref-<sup>1</sup>uge in you;

I have said to the Lord, “You are my Lord, my good a-<sup>1</sup>bove all other.”

<sup>2</sup>**All my delight is in the godly that are<sup>1</sup> in the land,  
upon those who are noble a-<sup>1</sup>mong the people.**

<sup>3</sup>But those who run after<sup>1</sup> other gods  
shall have their troubles<sup>1</sup> multiplied.

<sup>4</sup>**I will not pour out drink offerings<sup>1</sup> to such gods,  
never take their names up-<sup>1</sup> on my lips.**

<sup>5</sup>O Lord, you are my portion<sup>1</sup> and my cup;  
it is you who up-<sup>1</sup>hold my lot.

<sup>6</sup>**My boundaries enclose a<sup>1</sup> pleasant land;  
indeed, I have a<sup>1</sup> rich inheritance.**

<sup>7</sup>I will bless the Lord who<sup>1</sup> gives me counsel;  
my heart teaches me night<sup>1</sup> after night.

<sup>8</sup>**I have set the Lord al-<sup>1</sup>ways before me;  
because God is at my right hand, I shall<sup>1</sup> not be shaken. REFRAIN**

<sup>9</sup>My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spir-<sup>1</sup>it rejoices;  
my body also shall<sup>1</sup> rest in hope.

<sup>10</sup>**For you will not abandon me<sup>1</sup> to the grave,  
nor let your holy one<sup>1</sup> see the pit.**

<sup>11</sup>You will show me the<sup>1</sup> path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for  
<sup>1</sup>evermore. **REFRAIN**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

### Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -  
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -  
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

## GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>51</sup>When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup>And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; <sup>53</sup>but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup>When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" <sup>55</sup>But he turned and rebuked them. <sup>56</sup>Then they went on to another village. <sup>57</sup>As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." <sup>58</sup>And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." <sup>59</sup>To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." <sup>60</sup>But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." <sup>61</sup>Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." <sup>62</sup>Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON We Shall Overcome**

### **SERMON**

### **SILENCE FOR REFLECTION**

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY - Christ, Your Words of Love Confound Us**

Christ, your words of love confound us, even as we give you praise  
For the lessons that you teach us seem so far from this world's ways  
How can we love those who hate us? How can we love enemies?  
What of people who abuse us? How can we love even these?

Make us mindful: love is action, not a feeling that uplifts  
In each daily situation, love's the greatest of all gifts.  
It's the wiser, stronger person who will break the chain of hate  
Love can usher in redemption; love can make a people great

Faced with those who seek to hurt us, make us confident and free  
You don't call us to be helpless but to stand with dignity  
Lord, when others are demanding, may we know they matter more  
Than our money or possessions. May we share, not keeping score.

If we love just those who love us, where's the giving? Where's the grace?  
Even sinners try to do this; they have friends that they embrace  
May we do Lord, unto others as we'd have them also do  
You have shown us: love is action. May we love, and make things new

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## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**P** United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

**A** Nurturing God, we pray for Henry on his baptism day, and for his parents, Melissa and Brad. Fill him with your abundant love and gift him with the knowledge of your presence, that his life may reflect your love. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **Hear our prayer**

**A** Loving God, we pray for those grieving, injured, and displaced after the earthquake in Afghanistan, and for all relief and aid efforts. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **Hear our prayer**

**A** God of Shalom, we pray for the people of Ethiopia, as their nation is torn apart by civil war. And we continue to pray for those whose lives have been upended by the war in Ukraine, including civilians trapped in their homes, prisoners of war held behind enemy lines, and those grieving loved ones who've been killed. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **Hear our prayer**

**A** Expansive God, we pray for those organizing and attending Pride Celebrations, including Zion, that we might be a healing and welcoming presence. We pray also for LGBTQIA+ siblings who cannot yet feel safe coming out. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **Hear our prayer**

**A** Finally, we pray for all those who are sick and yearn for your gentle, loving care, especially Awald, Betty, Donna, Jan, Joe, and Adolfo.

**P** We pray also, aloud and quietly, for the joys and concerns we name before you now (pause). Trusting in your mercy, through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,

**C** **Amen**

## **PEACE**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** **And also with you.**

## THE MEAL

*God feeds us with the presence of Christ, who comes to us in love.*

### OFFERING

**ANTHEM** *something on piano*

### OFFERING PRAYER

A Let us pray.  
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.

**C Amen.**

### DIALOGUE

P The Lord be with you.  
**C And also with you.**  
P Lift up your hearts.  
**C We lift them to the Lord.**  
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God.  
You call us to love our enemies  
And grant us the grace to do so.  
And so, with the Good Samaritan and the Syrophonecian woman,  
with Joseph and Stephen, with all who show us how to love,  
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and  
God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray the prayer that Jesus taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.  
Come to the banquet.

## **COMMUNION HYMNS**

**Loving Those Who Hate Us**

**O God the Things that Make for Peace**

## **TABLE BLESSING**

P Now that you have tasted the goodness of God in bread and wine, let us be  
the body of Christ, blessed and broken for the whole world. **Amen.**

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A Let us pray. 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.

C **Amen.**

## SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### BLESSING

**P** Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love, make haste to be kind, and go in peace from this place.

And may God, Creator, Redeemer +, and Sustainer, bless you and keep you.

**C** **Amen.**

#### HYMN We Grieve in Isolation

We grieve in isolation, we weep from far away  
We wonder at the suffering we hear about this day  
An enemy comes near us like none we've ever known  
O God, we trust and love us, yet we feel so alone

O Christ, this world is changing and we are changing too  
We cry out with a longing that you will make us new  
We see the ways the nations have tried to live before  
And offer our confession: it won't work anymore

Can life rise from these ashes? Can hope rise from our fear?  
O Spirit, work among us, that we may change things here  
May we be dead to sinning - to all that would destroy  
Bring in your new creating; give life and health and joy

May we seek love and kindness that build community  
May we seek truth and justice that heal society  
We grieve in isolation; we cry, O Lord, to you  
O God of our salvation, we pray you'll make us new.

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#### DISMISSAL

**A** Go in peace. Tell what God has done!

**C** **Thanks be to God. (AND WE WILL!)**

#### POSTLUDE