

³²When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.”³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled.³⁴“Where have you laid him?” he asked. “Come and see, Lord,” they replied.³⁵Jesus wept.³⁶Then the Jews said, “See how he loved him!”³⁷But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”³⁸Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance.³⁹“Take away the stone,” he said. “But, Lord,” said Martha, the sister of the dead man, “by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days.”⁴⁰Then Jesus said, “Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?”⁴¹So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me.⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me.”⁴³When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!”⁴⁴The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, “Take off the grave clothes and let him go.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord, **C: Thanks be to God.**

Children’s Sermon *Pastor Eric Hanson*

Sermon: *“Following Jesus in Times of Pain”* *Pastor Eric Hanson*

Song of the Day & Offering: *“Seek Ye First”*

Offerings will be collected during the hymn of the day. Thank you also to those who give online. If you’d like to sign up for online giving please visit <http://www.stlukegoodhue.org/online-giving.html>.

**Vs. 1: Seek ye first the kingdom of God, And His righteousness;
And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia.**

**Vs. 2: Man shall not live by bread alone, But by every word,
That proceeds from the mouth of God. Allelu, alleluia.**

**Vs. 3: Ask, and it shall be given unto you; Seek, and ye shall find. Knock,
and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia.**

Offertory Response: *“Give Thanks”* (*ushers bring offerings forward*)

Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One.

Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say, “I am strong”.

Let the poor say, “I am rich Because of what the Lord has done for us”. Give thanks.

Offertory Prayer: P: Let us pray.

C: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, & our possessions. Use us, & what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior & Lord Amen.

Statement of Faith: *“In Christ Alone”* (*please stand as you are able*)

**Vs 1: In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;
this Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace when fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my All in All; here in the love of Christ I stand.**

**Vs 2: In Christ alone who took on flesh fullness of God in helpless Babe
This gift of Love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save.
Til on the cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied.
For every sin on Him was laid here in the death of Christ I live.**

**Vs 3: No guilt in life, no fear in death; this is the power of Christ in me.
From life’s first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand.
’Til he returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I’ll stand!**

The Prayers: (*call and response*)

One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer. *A brief silence.* Glorious God, you bend down to wash the feet of your disciples. Let the servant church arise in our teaching, our praying, our healing, and our doing. Make all your faithful people powerful in weakness and strong in grace. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Life-giving God, your fingers trace the heavens and your hands mold the earth. Where there is drought, bring nourishing rain. Where there is devastation from fire or flood, bring relief. Sustain the well-being of every living thing. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, you speak and the nations listen. Open those who govern to the cries of all who journey with no food or shelter, particularly people fleeing violence, those seeking freedom, and those in search of community. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, your embrace brings wholeness to those who are troubled. Anoint Keith Brown, Judy Carpenter, Jan Benidt, Dave (Pud) Gnotke, Shawn Fredrixon, Marc Bode, Julie Marklevits, Harlan Reese, Beth Carlson, Gage Miller, Alex Stehr, Maria Starr Quiggle, Perry Fitzgerald, Phil Tupper, Tanya Bakken, Lorraine Hinsch, Kay Kurtti and all who suffer in any way with the oil of healing and grant them renewal. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Welcoming God, in your presence strangers become companions and enemies become neighbors. Open our doors to those we have so easily shut out, particularly people who are different from us or who are marginalized by church or society. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Eternal God, you gather us into your house of many dwelling places. We give you thanks for our faithful departed. Inspire us by their lives of faith until, with them, we rest forever at our journey’s end. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Sharing the Peace: P: The peace of Christ be with you always **C: And also with you.**

The Great Thanksgiving: 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 Him thanks & praise.**

The Words of Institution

Lord’s Prayer: **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.**

Meal and Hymn: *“The Savior Is Waiting”* (*you may be seated*)

**Vs 1: The Savior is waiting to enter your heart, Why don’t you let Him come in?
There’s nothing in this world to keep you apart, What is your answer to Him?**

**Refrain: Time after time He has waited before, And now He is waiting again,
To see if you’re willing to open the door, Oh, how he wants to come in.**

**Vs 2: If you’ll take one step toward the Savior, my friend, You’ll find His arms open wide,
Receive Him and all of your darkness will end, Within your heart He’ll abide. [Refrain]**

Communion Prayer: (*please stand as you are able*)

P: O God,

C: We give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing: P: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy. May the Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

Sending Hymns: *“Joyous Light Of Heavenly Glory”* #561

**Vs 1: Joyous light of heav’nly glory, loving glow of God’s own face, you who sing creation’s story,
shine on ev’ry land and race. Now as evening falls around us, we shall raise our songs to you.
God of daybreak, God of shadows, come and light our hearts anew.**

**Vs 2: In the stars that grace the darkness, in the blazing sun of dawn, in the light of peace and wisdom,
we can hear your quiet song. Love that fills the night with wonder, love that warms the weary soul,
love that bursts all chains asunder, set us free and make us whole.**

**Vs 3: You who made the heaven’s splendor, ev’ry dancing star of night, make us shine with gentle justice,
let us each reflect your light. Mighty God of all creation, gentle Christ who lights our way,
loving Spirit of salvation, lead us on to endless day.**

Dismissal: P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord **C: Thanks be to God!**

St. Luke Announcements

New to St. Luke? Welcome! We're glad you're here! St. Luke is a church of hope and help and we welcome all. Interested in membership or learning more about St. Luke? Contact directly with Pastor Eric by email: anspachh2002@gmail.com or our office email: office@stlukegoodhue.org or by phone: 651-998-7106

Youth & Families

Online Giving: Interested in signing up for online giving or making a one time donation? Scan this QR code with your smartphone or visit <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZHX5> for a direct link to St. Luke Church's secure giving site.



Zion Church Summer Worship: Join us for worship at Zion at 7pm on Wednesday evenings through August 21st. Our sermon series for this summer is entitled "Following Jesus in Different Seasons." We'll talk about how we follow Jesus through times of joy, pain, doubt, trust, virtue, sin, and more. (18910 360th St. Goodhue)

July and August Council Meetings: The church council will meet on July 15th at 7pm and August 19th at 7pm. Starting in September the council meetings will again be back to the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm.

Zion Picnic: Our annual Zion picnic will be held outdoors at Zion church on Wednesday, July 17th at 6pm prior to 7pm worship. All are welcome to join! Food will be provided. Bring a chair to sit on. In the event of inclement weather we will move the meal and worship indoors at St. Luke Church.

Keyboard Needed: If anyone has a full size keyboard that they are willing to donate or let St. Luke Church borrow over the summer months please let Debbi St. John know. We are looking for one to use for contemporary music practice.

Contemporary Band Practice: Every Wednesday evening at 5:30pm there will be Contemporary Band practice at St. Luke Church. If you have a talent and would like to join us please come join practice at anytime! Contact Debbi St. John or the church office with questions.

2024 Confirmation Parents' Meeting: There is a mandatory confirmation parents' meeting on August 18th after worship in the fellowship hall for 7th and 8th grade families participating in confirmation this fall. Please let Pr. Eric know if you cannot attend.

Special Blessing for High School Mission Trip and Camp Wapo Participants: At the end of July our high school students and middle school students will embark on two very important faith formation experiences. High schoolers will be participating in a YouthWorks mission trip in Louisville, KY and middle schoolers will head off to Camp Wapo. On July 21st we'll have a special blessing for all participants. See you there!

High School Mission Trip Details Meeting: All travelers and a parent are invited to attend a meeting right after worship on July 21st to go over details and final logistics for our YouthWorks mission trip (July 28 - August 2). We will meet in the youth room.

Choir Workshop: All are invited to a workshop to learn about and work on some beautiful choral pieces. The workshop will be at St. Luke Church on Saturday, August 24, 2024 from 9-3pm. If you would like details about that day or have questions contact Debbi St. John or the church office.

Connect

ABC Bible Study (Adult Bible Study Community!): All are welcome to join us for ABC Bible study! We meet every Sunday (unless noted) from 8:30-9:15am in the Family Room at church year round. This Bible study is a great way for adults to grow in faith & life together!

Southeast Minnesota Synod Church Wide Summer Theology Pubs: Ever want to talk with other people of faith about cultural issues that matter? Want to do it in a fun, casual setting? The Southeast Minnesota Synod of the ELCA is hosting a series of theology pubs this summer to provide such opportunities. Guided conversations on issues that matter will happen on July 11th (Red Wing Brewery), and August 15th (10,000 Drops Craft Distiller, Faribault). All gatherings are at 7pm. All are welcome!

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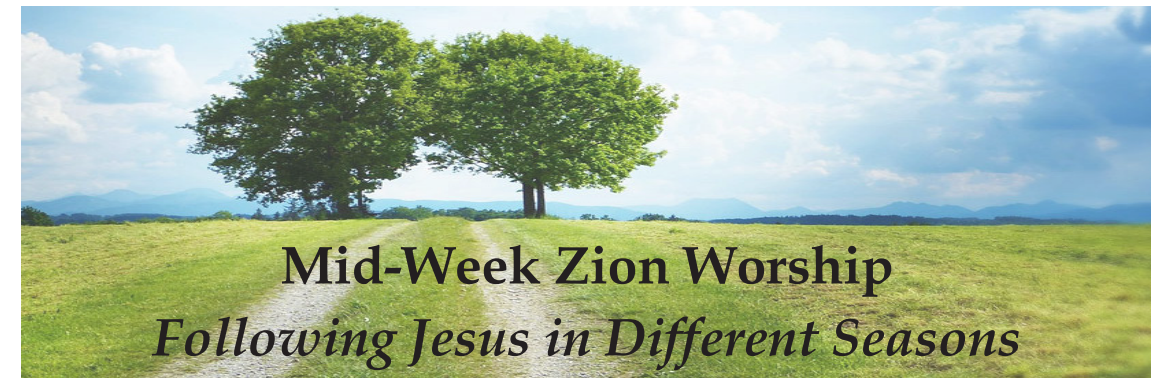
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Pastor Eric Hanson • 7:00PM • July 10, 2024

Prelude *Pianist, Debbi St. John*

Welcome & Announcements

Greeting: *(please stand as you are able)*

P: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God C: **Come Holy Spirit, Come!**

Confession and Forgiveness:

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Most merciful God,

C: **We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: God, who is rich in mercy, forgives us all our sins. By grace you have been saved. May Almighty God, Father, Son +, and Holy Spirit, give you the power to live in His Grace. C: **Amen.**

Opening Song: *"Our God Is An Awesome God" 3X (please stand as you are able)*

Our God is an awesome God. He reigns from heaven above.

With wisdom, power, and love. Our God is an awesome God.

Preaching Text: **John 11:1-7, 14-44** *(you may be seated)*

¹Now a man named Lazarus was sick. He was from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ²(This Mary, whose brother Lazarus now lay sick, was the same one who poured perfume on the Lord and wiped his feet with her hair.) ³So the sisters sent word to Jesus, "Lord, the one you love is sick." ⁴When he heard this, Jesus said, "This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God's glory so that God's Son may be glorified through it." ⁵Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. ⁶So when he heard that Lazarus was sick, he stayed where he was two more days, ⁷and then he said to his disciples, "Let us go back to Judea."

¹⁴So then he told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead, ¹⁵and for your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." ¹⁶Then Thomas (also known as Didymus) said to the rest of the disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." ¹⁷On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. ¹⁸Now Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁹and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. ²⁰When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home. ²¹"Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²²But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask." ²³Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." ²⁴Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day." ²⁵Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; ²⁶and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?" ²⁷"Yes, Lord," she replied, "I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world." ²⁸After she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary aside. "The Teacher is here," she said, "and is asking for you." ²⁹When Mary heard this, she got up quickly and went to him. ³⁰Now Jesus had not yet entered the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. ³¹When the Jews who had been with Mary in the house, comforting her, noticed how quickly she got up and went out, they followed her, supposing she was going to the tomb to mourn there.