THE 11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH, FERNDALE
10:30 AM, AUGUST 9TH, 2026

Prelude Scott Schroeder

Welcome & Announcements

The Box (Juniors ministries will resume in the fall)

Processional Hymn "Here on Jesus Christ I Will Stand" (ACS 1024)

Welcome
Pastor: The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
People: And also with you.

Order of Confession and Forgiveness
Vicar: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen**.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God, **have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

<u>Kyrie (led by cantor)</u> (WOV page 12)

Sharing of the Peace

Pastor: The peace of God be with you all. **And also with you!**

At Zion we share the ASL/universal sign for peace, or other non-physical contact to greet one another.

Hymn of Praise "Be Thou My Vision" (verse 1 only) (Hymn 793)

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
thou my best thought both by day and by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Prayer of the Day

Vicar: O God our defender, **storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

1 Kings 19:9-18

9 At that place he came to a cave and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying,
"What are you doing here, Elijah?" 10 He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts,
for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the
sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." 11 He said, "Go out and stand on the
mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was
splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind, and after
the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake, 12 and after the earthquake a fire, but the
Lord was not in the fire, and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. 13 When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his
face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that

said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” [14] He answered, “I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.” [15] Then the Lord said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. [16] 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. [17] Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill, and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. [18] Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.”

Word of God, Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 85:8-13

[8] Let me hear what God will speak,
for God will speak peace to the people,
to God’s faithful, to those who turn to God in their hearts.
[9] Surely God’s salvation is at hand for those who fear God,
that God’s glory may dwell in our land.
[10] Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.
[11] Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,
and righteousness will look down from the sky.
[12] God will give what is good,
and our land will yield its increase.
[13] Righteousness will go before him
and will make a path for his steps.

Romans 10:5-15

[5] Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” [6] But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ down) [7] “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). [8] But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim), [9] because if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. [10] For one believes with the heart, leading to righteousness, and one confesses with the mouth, leading to salvation. [11] The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” [12] For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. [13] For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.” [14] But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? [15] And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

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Gospel Acclamation (WOV page 17)

Matthew 14:22-33

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O God.**

22 Immediately he made the disciples get into a boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed
the crowds. 23 And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When
evening came, he was there alone, 24 but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land,
for the wind was against them. 25 And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. 26 But
when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out
in fear. 27 But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.” 28 Peter
answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” 29 He said, “Come.” So Peter got
out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. 30 But when he noticed the strong
wind, he became frightened, and, beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” 31 Jesus immediately
reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” 32 When they
got into the boat, the wind ceased. 33 And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of
God.”

The Gospel of the Living One. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Gospel Acclamation

Special Music “Holy Mother” Kenn Andridge & Vince McCormick

Sermon Pastor Sarah Mayer-Flatt

Hymn "My Life Flows on in Endless Song" Hymn 763

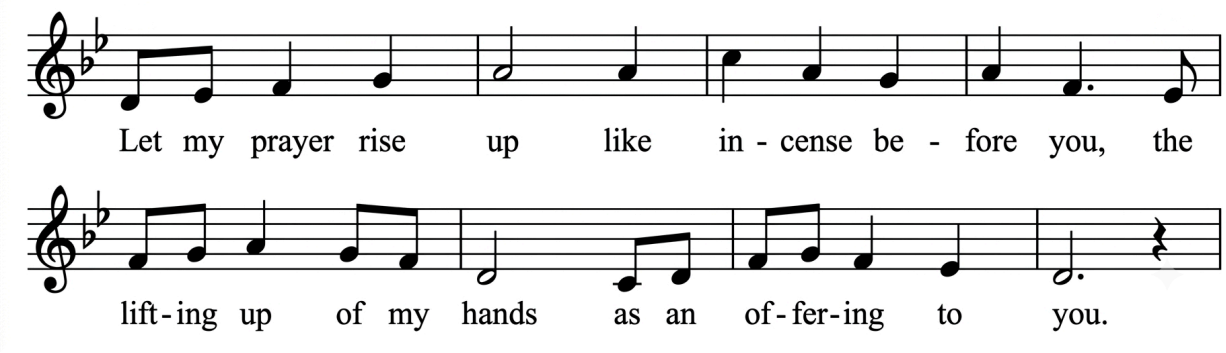
Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Assistant: With bold trust in God's unfailing provision, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

Let My Prayer Rise Up (refrain only) (ELW 232)



We pray for the servants of your gospel in every place, that your word may be heard. Where your voice is scorned and your people persecuted, strengthen the church in its faithful witness. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For this world you have created, that all life may flourish. Preserve biodiversity in all its variety and help ecosystems to survive the extremes of a changing climate. Move our hearts with compassion to join in this work. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Let My Prayer Rise Up

For leaders of towns, states, nations, and organizations, and all who are in positions of authority, that they lead with justice and integrity. Teach us to respond with Christlike mercy to all who are afraid or in danger. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For all who struggle amid the storms of life, that they find peace and hope in your loving presence. Comfort any who are lonely and grieving and all who suffer, especially those on our hearts and minds today... Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Let My Prayer Rise Up

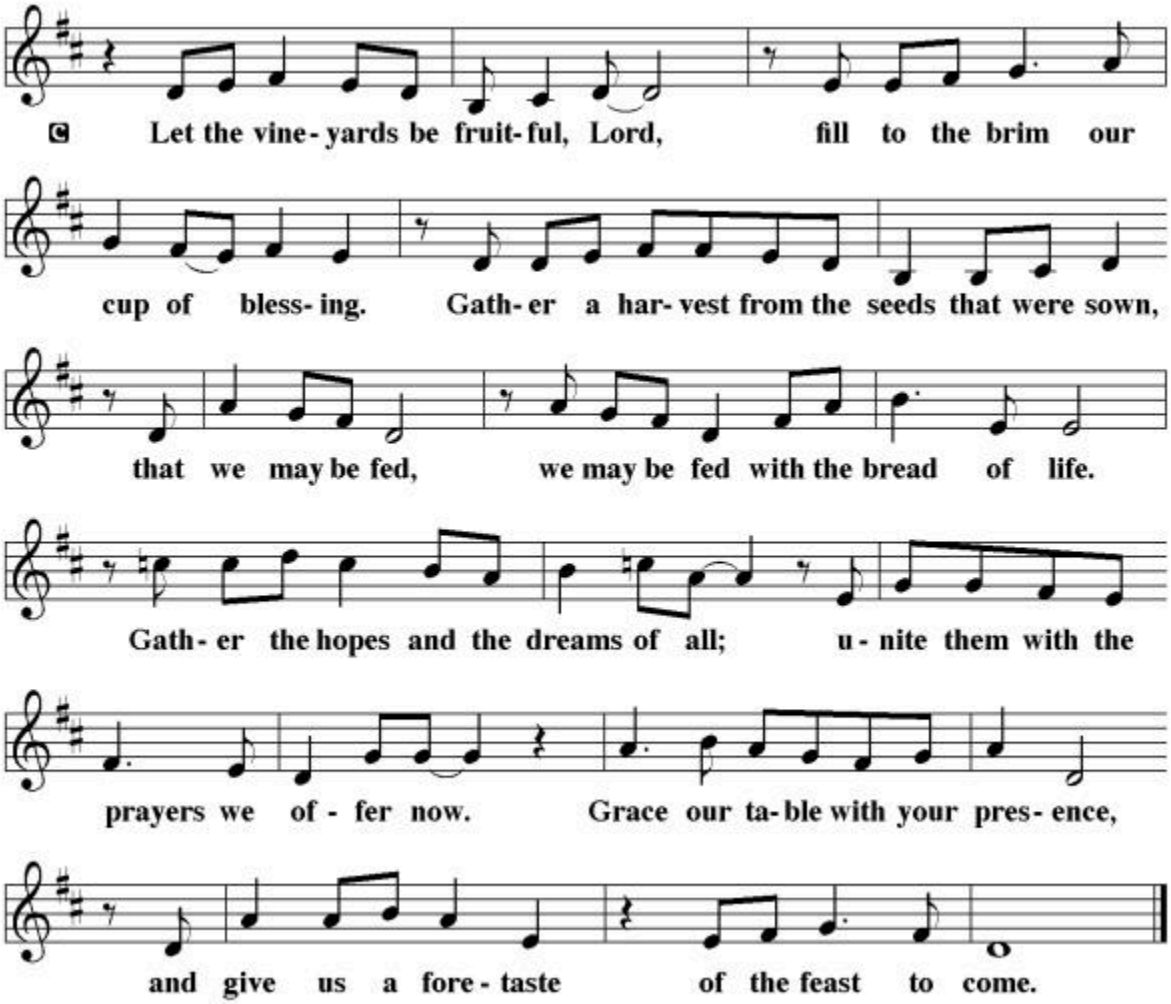
For this congregation and its ministries, that they reflect your love and life amid a turbulent world. Guide council members, elders, and other church leaders with your still, calm voice. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We give thanks for the faithful who have gone before us. Guide us in our earthly journey, that we may one day join them in your eternal kingdom. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Let My Prayer Rise Up

Pastor: Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Offertory: (WOV page 21)



Offertory Prayer:

Pastor: Let us pray. **Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

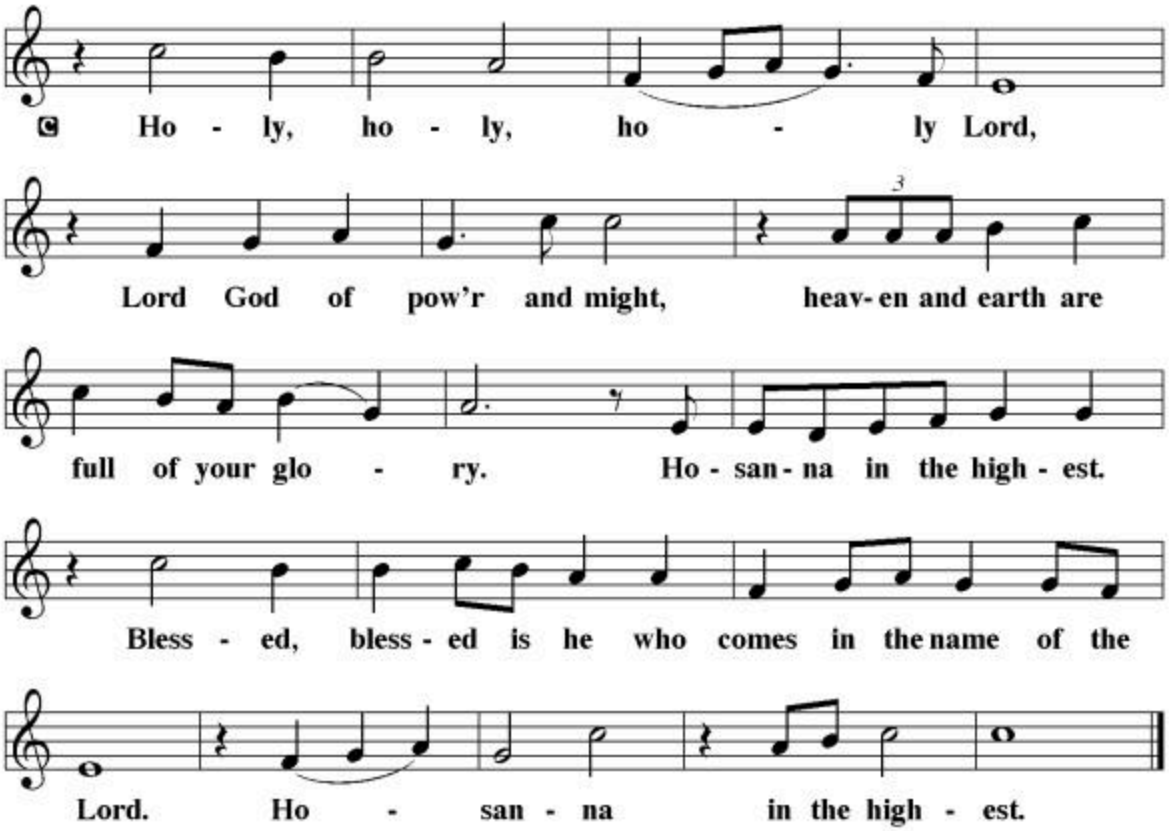
Ways to give -

- *Venmo @ZionFerndale (confirmation code 7498)*
- *Vanco mobile app (code VHLXGH)*
- *www.zionlutheranmi.org*
- *Offering plate located in the middle of the center aisle*
- *Mail to church mailing address*

Eucharistic Prayer

Pastor: God be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to God.**
Let us give thanks to our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is good and right that in all times and places we give thanks for the Spirit and as one people we sing:



Holy, mighty, and merciful One, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Savior 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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

Holy One, remember us in your reign and teach us to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

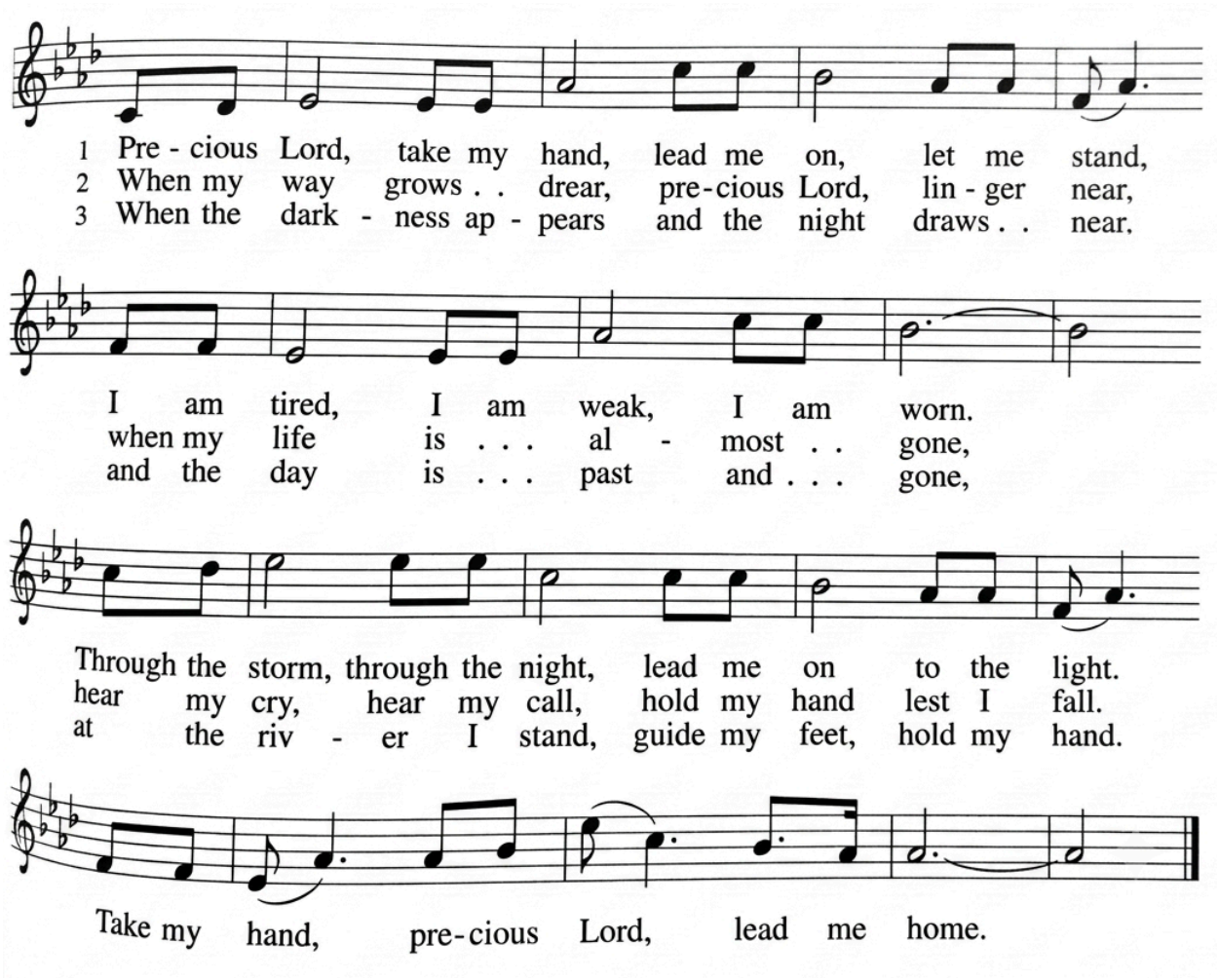
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory
are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

Distribution

Zion welcomes and encourages those of all faith backgrounds to communion. We believe that the death and resurrection of Christ makes us all worthy and needing of the sacrament regardless of background, age or any other factor.

Communion Hymns "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" Hymn 773



Pastor: The body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace, now and forever. **Amen**.

Recessional Hymn "What a Fellowship, What a Joy Devine" Hymn 774

Charge & Benediction

Pastor: May God in the grace of all creation, God in the power of the resurrection, and God in the sustaining Spirit bless you now and forevermore.

Assistant: Go in peace, be good to one another and the world. **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude Scott Schroeder

Today's Worship Leaders:
Assistant Minister: Randi Hamilton
Lector: Hunter Hicks
Cantor: Cecelia Mac-Smith

Staff:
The Rev. Matthew Bode, Pastor
Intern: Vicar Kelle Shepherd-Bhavsar
Office Manager: Stacey Jamison
Custodian: Anthony Bailey
Chancel and Bell Choir Director: Roger Smith
Organist: Scott Schroeder
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