

Mt. Zion Ev. Lutheran Church



G A L A T I A N S 3 : 2 7

5th Week after Pentecost

Sunday, July 14th, & Monday July 15th, 2019

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Welcome to our family of faith! Large Print Editions of our bulletin and hymnal, as well as assistive listening devices are available by asking an usher. Please feel free to ask for help or if you have any questions. We are glad you are here!

IF YOUR CHILDREN BECOME RESTLESS: our church basement is equipped with an audio feed of the service. Please feel free to make use of that service if you need a place to settle the children down before returning upstairs.

A FAVOR PLEASE: Please take a moment to fill out the ivory colored attendance card found in each pew or chair for our church records (guests and members alike). The cards will be collected around the time that the offering is taken after the sermon. Thank you for your help!

BIBLE TEXT: While our lessons are printed in the bulletin, you may appreciate reading them in their context from our pew Bibles; if so, note that the page number for each lesson is included.

THE ALTAR PARAMENTS are GREEN (symbolizing health and growth in a plant) during the Pentecost season reminding us that the Spirit, through His tools of God's Word and the Sacraments, gives us Jesus' saving work and connects us to God for a life of real purpose; for real life and health are in Him! By faith, we have this life in Him. SO we now bear fruit for Him!

THEME OF THE DAY

Is faithfulness to Christ worth the trouble it brings? Yes indeed; for our Lord uses this godless world's persecutions to refine us into the pure, precious metal of His children!

Opening Hymn 224 God Himself Is Present

Order of Service – We follow the '**Service of Word and Sacrament**' found on page 26 in the front of our red hymnal, Christian Worship (**C.W.**), found in each pew or under each chair.

Prayer of the Day: O Lord, our God, govern the nations on earth and direct the affairs of this world so that your Church may worship you in peace and joy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. (we **sing:**)
Amen.

THE WORD OF THE DAY

OLD TESTAMENT: GENESIS 39:6B-12, 16-23 (found on page 33 of your pew Bibles)

Now Joseph was well-built and handsome, and after a while his master's wife took notice of Joseph and said, "Come to bed with me!"

But he refused. "With me in charge," he told her, "my master does not concern himself with anything in the house; everything he owns he has entrusted to my care. No one is greater in this house than I am. My master has withheld nothing from me except you, because you are his wife. How then could I do such a wicked thing and sin against God?" And though she spoke to Joseph day after day, he refused to go to bed with her or even be with her.

One day he went into the house to attend to his duties, and none of the household servants was inside. She caught him by his cloak and said, "Come to bed with me!" But he left his cloak in her hand and ran out of the house.

She kept his cloak beside her until his master came home. Then she told him this story: "That Hebrew slave you brought us came to me to make sport of me. But as soon as I screamed for help, he left his cloak beside me and ran out of the house."

When his master heard the story his wife told him, saying, "This is how your slave treated me," he burned with anger. Joseph's master took him and put him in prison, the place where the king's prisoners were confined.

But while Joseph was there in the prison, the Lord was with him; he showed him kindness and granted him favor in the eyes of the prison warden. So the warden put Joseph in charge of all those held in the prison, and he was made responsible for all that was done there. The warden paid no attention to anything under Joseph's care, because the Lord was with Joseph and gave him success in whatever he did. (NIV2011)

Psalm of the Day: We join to sing **Psalm 22** found on page 71 of your Hymnal C.W. [**NOTE:** Our cantor will sing the 1st phrase, & **the congregation will sing the 2nd phrase in each couplet.** We ***ALL join together to sing 'Glory be to the Father' & the Refrains.***]

***(Refrain): Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.***

*My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**

Why are you so far from saving me?

*I am a worm and not a man,**

scorned by men and despised by the people.

*All who see me mock me;**

they hurl insults, shaking their heads:

*"He trusts in the LORD; let the LORD rescue him.**

Let him deliver him, since he delights in him."

(Refrain: cf. above)

*My strength is dried up, and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth;**
you lay me in the dust of death.

*A band of evil men has encircled me,**
they have pierced my hands and my feet.

*They divide my garments among them**
and cast lots for my clothing.

*But you, O LORD, be not far off;**
O my Strength, come quickly to help me.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

***(Refrain): Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.***

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EPISTLE: GALATIANS 3:23-29 (found on page 944 of your pew Bibles)

******This will serve as the Sermon Text******

Before the coming of this faith, we were held in custody under the law, locked up until the faith that was to come would be revealed. So the law was our guardian until Christ came that we might be justified by faith.

Now that this faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian. So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise. (NIV2011)

Verse of the Day: *Alleluia. Because we are his children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" Alleluia. (Galatians 4:6 cf. NIV)* We all join to sing: "**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus IS the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**" (music is on p. 40 in *cw*)

GOSPEL: LUKE 9:18-24 (found on page 841 of your pew Bibles)

Once when Jesus was praying in private and his disciples were with him, he asked them, "Who do the crowds say I am?"

They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, that one of the prophets of long ago has come back to life."

"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Peter answered, "God's Messiah."

Jesus strictly warned them not to tell this to anyone. And he said, "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life."

Then he said to them all: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it." (NIV2011) / The congregation sings: "***Praise be to you, O Christ!***"

Hymn of the Day: 536 Lord Jesus Christ, the Church's Head

Sermon by Pastor Scott Bergemann on Galatians 3:23-29

"Clothed with Christ"

We Confess Our Faith with The Nicene Creed – found on page 31 in C.W.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, He came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, Who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Our Offerings: The offering is a chance for God’s people to respond to God’s love by giving to carry on the ministry HE has entrusted to us. If you are a visitor, please do not feel obligated to give an offering. We are truly pleased that you have joined us for worship, so we could share the gospel with you! Please come again!

Attendance Card Collection: Please take a moment to fill out the attendance card found in each pew (guests & members alike). On Sunday the cards will be collected right after the offering baskets have been passed through in the 2nd basket that comes around after the offering; on Monday, cards can be dropped right in with the offering basket, as it comes by. Thank you!

Prayer of the Church – on p.32, concluding with the Lord’s Prayer *together* (as follows):

THE 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.

Communion Liturgy – as found on p. 33 in **C.W.**

The Distribution – If you are a guest or visitor, you may be interested and relieved to know that we do not seek to impose our practice of Holy Communion upon you. In fact God’s Word makes it clear that He intends this sacrament only for those who have been made familiar in advance with the sacrament (1 Corinthians 11:27-30), and who have previously expressed their fellowship with the group they are taking it with, since it *is* a public confession of oneness in faith (1 Corinthians 10:17, 11:24-26); that is what is meant by the Scriptural practice of “*close communion*”. If you are a guest or visitor and have not had the chance to express common faith and a public declaration of fellowship with us, please observe today’s communion service and speak with Pastor after the service or during the week; he’d be delighted to help you appreciate a “close” relationship with our congregation. Communicant member of our sister WELS or ELS congregations are welcome, but please announce your intent to commune with us to pastor or an usher before the service. A ‘**Personal Preparation for Holy Communion**’ can be found on **p. 156 at the front of C.W.**; this is an excellent tool for ‘examining ourselves’ prior to communing, as Christ commands (1 Corinthians 11:28).

Distribution Hymns: 312 (Note: there will be a brief break after every 4 verses)

Thanksgiving & Closing Prayer and Blessing – found on page 36 in **C.W.**

Closing Hymn: 331 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

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*Thank you for worshiping with us.
Go with God's Word in your hearts and minds!*

Our Mission Here at Mt. Zion:

- † **Grow** in God's Word
- † **Gather** around His Word and Sacrament
- † **Go** into our community and the world with the good news of eternal life through faith in Jesus Christ.



Please feel free to return this *Worship Folder* to the Ushers at the door as you leave today for use in the next service, unless you want to take it home for devotional purposes. Thank you!

*Attendance Information -
Our Growth in God's Word*

<i>Sunday Attendance</i>	<i>111</i>
<i>Monday Attendance</i>	<i>41</i>

Special Thanks Today to Our...

- † **Organist:** Cindy Willer
- † **Elders:** Tim Knautz & Bill Demo
- † **Special Musician:** Emme Walrath
- † **Cantor :** Jeff Larsen
- † **Ushers:**
 - **8:00am – Team 04** – Tim Becker, Jonathon Becker, Jerry Harbin & Noah Knautz
 - **10:45am - Team 10** – Bill Demo, Jeff Gentz & Andy Peters
- † **Bible Study Goodies:** Harbin & Oechler
- † **Landscaping Team: Team 07** – Brian & Matt Menarek

Up Coming Servants...

- † **Musicians:** The Studemann Family Musicians
- † **Ushers:**
 - **8:00 am - Teams 05** – Jeff Larsen, Todd Willer, Jacob Larsen & Katie Larsen
 - **10:45 am – Team 07** – Eugene Perry, Don Giammarrusco, Josh Kopp & Rich Symoens
- † **Psalm Cantor:** Micah Studemann
- † **Landscaping Team: Team 01** – Scott Therriault & Scott Dankert

Oasis Youth Center
Presents



Burger Wars

Sunday, July 21st

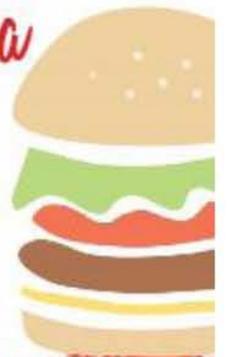
12-4p.m.

at Oasis

6700 – 30th Avenue, Kenosha

\$10 entry includes tastings, chips
and a drink

Join us for Burgers, Raffles, Music
by DJ Spoon and more!



NEWS & notes

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July 14th, 2019

THIS WEEK AT MT. ZION

- Sunday** Summer Sun. School/Bible class – 9:15am
Communion Service – 10:45am
- Monday** Communion Service – 6:30pm
Board of Evangelism Meeting – 7:30pm
- Tuesday** Bible Study – 10:00am
VBS Meeting – 6:30pm
- Wednesday** CAP Class – 7:00pm
- Saturday** **JOINT Council Mtg (@ Somers) – 10:00am**
- Sunday** Worship Service – 8:00am
NO BIBLE STUDY OR SUNDAY SCHOOL
Praises in Pets Park #3 – 10:00am
Church Picnic – 11:15am
- Monday** VBS – 9:00am - noon
Communion Service – 6:30pm
Board of Elders Meeting – 6:30pm



Bible Study Topics This Week

- † **Sunday AM** - *Nothing New Under the Sun* - Where can the false doctrine of the New Testament be found TODAY?
- † **Tuesday AM** – *Drive Through History - The Gospels*
- † **Wednesday CAP** – His Hand Among the Nations

ALL ARE WELCOME!

ANNOUNCEMENTS . . .



Praises in the Park/Church Picnic – Our annual Outdoor Worship Service (*Praises in the Park*) and Picnic will be **NEXT Sunday**, July 21st at Petrifying Springs (Pets) Park, shelter #3. Worship begins at 10am in the park, with lunch, fellowship, and recreation after. WICS will provide hotdogs and table service. Please sign-up on the table in the entryway if you will attend the lunch so we know how many to order meat for; and

indicate whether you'll bring a side dish or dessert to pass, along with your own beverages, lawn chairs, and recreational equipment. Please join us for this fun fellowship activity!

Would you be Willing to Train for Ministry? – God in His Word has clearly outlined qualifications for those who lead in His Kingdom and work. So we are looking to offer (starting this fall) a series of classes (from our called worker training college in MN) to help people meet those qualifications and to receive the knowledge and faith needed – *a church leadership program*, if you will; and we are looking for people (confirmed men and women) who would be interested in studying with them. This series of classes, in addition to helping you grow in faith and in your knowledge of God's Word and will, would prepare you to serve as a future elder or deaconess, a member of our church council or an officer in our women's ministry organization (WICS) right here at Mt Zion. OR if you've ever thought about serving God more fulltime in His church (as a called pastor, staff minister, parochial school teacher, etc.), which is a HUGE need we have in our church body right now, this is a curricula that WELS uses to prepare people for that step too (although you don't have to want to enter fulltime ministry to take this class – it also serves as an effective leadership training course for our work right here). These classes will meet once/wk for 90 minutes, on a day and time that works best for those who enroll; there will be some homework involved between classes. And it will be open to the other WELS churches in Kenosha as well, since there is a WELS member who has served as a public school teacher for decades who has now been called to teach at Friedens school, and these classes will allow him to become Synod certified to do so.

Would you be interested in training to help serve in leadership in God's church and Kingdom in the future? If so, speak with Pastor Neumann by August 20th. For by then, we will be scheduling the 1st class in the training curricula. Pray about it.

Altar Flowers – Our flower chart has many openings available for the rest of the year. Flowers beautify the sanctuary of our church; and in addition to being a thank offering to God, they serve as a gift to those who attend worship. They also fittingly mark the anniversary of a birth, baptism, confirmation, marriage, or death, or may be used as an expression of joy of thanksgiving at any time. Flowers can be a simple bouquet from a grocery store, a local florist, or out of your own garden! If you'd like to provide flowers for church some Sunday/Monday, please feel free to sign up on the chart (near the mailboxes in the entryway) by the corresponding date. If you are bringing flowers to church, please have them on the altar prior to the 8am Sunday Service. If you need assistance, please contact Chris Demo (cell) 847-224-2625. Thanks!



Scrip Schedule – Shoreland Scrip will be available TODAY between services in the narthex. Please see the person at the table in back of church to purchase your Scrip. Since we are in the park NEXT week July 21st at 10am for the late service, there will only be Scrip here at church after the 8am service that day; there will be NO Scrip at the park. And there will be NO SCRIP on July 28th. Please note this schedule; and remember, you can always purchase Scrip at the SLHS office on Mondays from 8-9am, and Thursdays from 8:30-9:30am. You can also fill out a form and give it to Niki Neumann, who will fill it during the week and get your cards to you. Thanks for your support!

VBS Help Needed - VBS will be held July 22nd – July 26th, and we are looking for helpers to share the love of Jesus through this special program. Our theme this year is "**ROAR: Life is Wild; God is good**". If you could lend a hand (even for a few days), please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the church entryway. Our final VBS meeting is TUESDAY (7/16) at 6:30pm; if you are signed up to help, please plan on attending this meeting where specific assignments will be given out. If you'd like to register your child, please visit our website (mtzionwi.org) or sign up on the sheet on the table in the church entryway.



Our ANNUAL Voter's Meeting and Potluck – will be held on Sunday, August 4th at noon in our fellowship hall; please bring a dish to pass for the potluck lunch. Annual Reports (complete with ministry plans for the new fiscal year) are in your member boxes today. Please prayerfully review them and bring them along to the meeting on August 4th. Do plan to join us as we do God's work!

Fall CAP Class – If I mention a great humanitarian, who comes to your mind? Do you think of more recent charity supporters like Bill Gates, Warren Buffet, or Oprah Winfrey, or do you think of those of old who spent their lives serving others, like Mother Teresa, Martin Luther King Jr., or Mahatma Gandhi? The dictionary defines a humanitarian as '*someone who has concern for or helps to improve the welfare and happiness of others, especially to alleviate suffering.*' Well, that makes the title of the book we will study this fall so appropriate: GOD – The Ultimate Humanitarian (by Rev. Mark Cares of Truth in Love Ministries). Join us on Wednesday nights this fall starting September 11th (at 7pm) as we begin a 10-week course which will work through this new book and Bible study which focusses us on the ways that God blesses us each day of our life. What a perfect preparation for Thanksgiving this year! The cost for the materials (a textbook and workbook) is \$15/attendee (family members can share a textbook, but each attendee needs a workbook which is \$2). Sign up by August 26th.



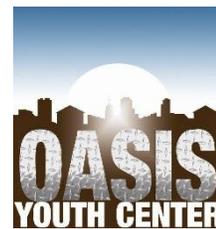
Job Opportunity – Shoreland Lutheran High School is accepting applications for Mission Advancement Director. Email President Scriver (scriver@slhs.us) if you'd like to receive a position description or more information on applying.

NEW Job Opening - Shoreland will be accepting applications for a Transportation Coordinator. This part-time position starts at \$13/hr for 20-30 hours/wk during school months. Email Scott Zondag (zondags@slhs.us) if you'd like to receive a position description or more information on how to apply.

Pacer Patron Kenosha County Fair Booth - During the August 14th-18th Fair festivities, Shoreland will be operating a food booth to benefit the Pacer Patrons. If you'd like to help in the booth, please contact Joy Strutz at home 262-898-3244, cell 262-989-7772 or pacers@slhs.us.

Shoreland Summer Band & Strings Concert – is THIS Thursday, July 18th at 6:30pm at Shoreland, followed by an Ice Cream Social. All are invited to attend.

OYC Treasurer Needed – Oasis Youth Center, our WELS urban outreach to youth, is looking for a new Treasurer. The Treasurer sits on the OYC Board (therefore a confirmed male, 18 or older is required), attends the monthly meetings, and oversees the OYC Bookkeeper. A detailed description will be provided, upon request. If this is something you're interested in, please contact Russ Pearson (262-496-3757 / RLPearson67@gmail.com) or Amy Haun (262-909-7579 / OYCKenosha@gmail.com).



OYC Burger Wars - Oasis Youth Center's 1st ever *Burger Wars* will be held on **NEXT** Sunday, July 21st at Oasis from 1-4pm. Love to grill? Compete with your best burger recipe! Love to eat? Come sample - and bring your friends! (*Mt Zion members: you can have lunch at our Praises in the Park that day, and then go enjoy the afternoon at this event!*) Can't make it? We're looking for event donations of snack size chip bags, cans of soda, and \$25 or larger gift cards to be raffled off. Sign up on the sheet on the table in the narthex. Thanks for supporting OYC! We hope to see you there! For more information about the competition and to register email Amber (wrascoggins@gmail.com).

**CENTRAL AFRICA MEDICAL MISSION: LUTHERAN MOBILE MEDICAL CLINIC
MALAWI
July 2019 Newsletter**

We are in the cold season here and while the day starts chilly, about 50 degrees, it warms up into the mid-seventies when the sun is high. Driving to our clinics, we see people stand by fires along the side of the road keeping warm, and sometimes roasting some goat meat or cobs of maize to sell. Since it's also the dry season, the landscape is getting brown, and there's a dusty haze over the mountains. The seasons do change here, and the months are passing quickly. Some of the work has become routine; but my husband Gary and I have been aware of the changing opportunities and challenges which are always being presented to us in this mission. We see how the Lord faithfully provides the right people and resources needed to accomplish His work here in Africa. Here are some updates.

At our Mwalaulomwe clinic, the renovations are just about finished! The improvements include five private consultation rooms, a lab, an improved exam room for our antenatal women and a procedure room. There is better light with use of opaque roof sheets, a new floor, repairs to plastering, masonry and drainage, and new paint inside and out. Gary made sure the entrance has a gradual ramp rather than a steep step. We have been holding clinic in the church for three weeks but hope to start using the new building in early July. What's needed is more chairs, tables, and curtains for the exam rooms. Our contractor will then be starting work on a whole new clinic building at Msambo as soon as August.

Our new ambulance, another Toyota Landcruiser, arrived in May. Thanks to Gary, it is inspected, registered, stickered, painted with lettering, and ready for use! It can carry 13 people, plus a roof rack full of our clinic supplies out to the villages and back on rough dirt roads. Our older ambulance will be sold to the Lutheran Mission. It is wonderful to have such a dependable new vehicle!

We are finally starting to see a drop in the numbers of malaria cases at all of our clinics, which happens after the rainy season ends. Our staff at Mwalaulomwe have begun to give babies the malaria vaccine, as

that district was chosen as part of a pilot program. We are excited about the prospect of preventing more children from getting life-threatening malaria. We referred 22 children with malaria and severe anemia to the hospital in May, after checking their blood hemoglobin. We also test all pregnant women at their first visit. Anemia is a consequence of malaria, but also due to poor nutrition. We treat anemic patients with iron and continue to give micronutrients to infants age 6 -24 months old. Teaching mothers about feeding their families foods such as beans and dark green vegetables is also important in preventing anemia. We should be getting a newer hemoglobinometer soon, thanks to our donors.

This year we hired a young Clinical Officer named Kingsley Khonde, who's been a welcome addition to our staff. With two clinicians we can better care for the high numbers of outpatients in malaria season. He also is trained in HIV testing and counseling and has helped to improve our medical care. Since June, we have had an unpaid public health student intern named Sydney Kambalikenka working with our clinic for 8 weeks. This additional helper will survey villagers concerning their health needs and the effectiveness of our services.

God has given us the right people, including you at home, to continue the Lutheran Mobile Clinic work of Gospel outreach and healthcare in Malawi. Thank you so much for your donations and prayers!

Your sister in Christ,
Beth Evans