

# *Not Good Enough, But Special*



## **EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—PROPER 10**

July 15, 2018

### **ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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Guests. Welcome to Zion. We are glad to have you with us. Please sign our guestbook located in the Narthex. About Holy Communion: We celebrate this Sacrament every Sunday at Zion. We welcome to the Lord's Table all who have repented of their sins and seek to amend their sinful life; all who believe that Jesus is truly present in, with, and under the bread and the wine; and all who believe that through the words "given and shed for you" forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given. If this is your confession then come with a thankful heart and join us. See p.329, 330 in the front part of the hymnal for guidance in preparing to receive Holy Communion. We also offer gluten free wafers please notify Elder ahead of time that you would appreciate the gluten free.

## **AS WE GATHER**

**G**od is the agent in the preservation and salvation of His people. In the Old Testament Reading, Amaziah forbids Amos to speak, but the prophet reveals how God chose him from nothing to be His spokesman. Paul also speaks to God's activity in saving His people by choosing them for adoption as sons so that they might inherit the riches of His grace. You are one of God's chosen heirs, redeemed by the blood of Christ.

### **Altar Guild for July:**

*Connie K*

920-696-3746

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920-927-3412

### **Order of Worship**

### **Divine Service 2**

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### **Opening Hymn:**

**"O Holy Spirit, Enter In"**

**LSB 913**

### **Sermon Hymn:**

**"I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus"**

**LSB 729**

### **Sermon**

## The Prayers

Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer**

## The Offering

### Communion Hymns:

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”	LSB 761
“Your Table I Approach”	LSB 628
“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”	LSB 809

### Closing Hymn:

“Abide, O Dearest Jesus”	LSB 919
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### Introit for Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

For your name’s sake, O LORD, preserve my life! **In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!**

Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy! **In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!**

Enter not into judgment with your servant, **for no one living is righteous before you.**

Let me hear in the morning of your steadfast love, **for in you I trust.**

**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.**

For your name’s sake, O LORD, preserve my life! **In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!**

### Collect for Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

O Lord, You granted Your prophets strength to resist the temptations of the devil and courage to proclaim repentance. Give us pure hearts and minds to follow Your Son faithfully even into suffering and death; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## **OLD TESTAMENT**

## **Amos 7:7–15**

(Amaziah tells Amos to prophesy elsewhere, but Amos does as the Lord commands.)

7 This is what [the Lord God] showed me: behold, the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand.

8 And the LORD said to me, “Amos, what do you see?” And I said, “A plumb line.” Then the Lord said, “Behold, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass by them;

9 the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.”

10 Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, “Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to bear all his words.

11 For thus Amos has said, “Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.”

12 And Amaziah said to Amos, “O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there,

13 but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king’s sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.”

14 Then Amos answered and said to Amaziah, “I was no prophet, nor a prophet’s son, but I was a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore figs.

15 But the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’

## **EPISTLE**

## **Ephesians 1:3–14**

(Paul speaks of our redemption, adoption, forgiveness, and inheritance in Christ.)

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places,

4 even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the

world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love

5 he predestined us for adoption through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will,

6 to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace,

8 which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight

9 making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ

10 as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

11 In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will,

12 so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory.

13 In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,

14 who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

## **GOSPEL**

**Mark 6:14–29**

(Herod puts John the Baptist to death.)



1 [Jesus] went away from there and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him.

2 And on the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished, saying, "Where did this man get these things? What is the wisdom given to him? How are such mighty works done by his hands?"

3 Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him.

4 And Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor, except in his hometown and among his relatives and in his own household."

5 And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them.

6 And he marveled because of their unbelief. And he went about among the villages teaching.

7 And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits.

8 He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts—

9 but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics.

10 And he said to them, "Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you depart from there.

11 And if any place will not receive you and they will not listen to you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them."

12 So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent.

13 And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them.

## **Announcements**

***From the Board of Stewardship and Evangelism:***

**Amos 7:8 – "And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord**

said, "Behold, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass by them." One of the sins for which the Lord condemned the people through Amos was a disregard for the call of kindness, charity, and generosity toward the weak and lowly. We can see here how seriously the Lord sees this! And that's no surprise when we consider how God's activity toward us is built on kindness, charity, and generosity. To act otherwise is to act against the Lord's own nature.

## *The Pewpoint*

### THEME OF THE DAY

#### *The Lord Jesus Brings His People through Death into Life by the Preaching of Repentance*

Amos did not choose to be a prophet, but the Lord took him "from following the flock" and said to him, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel" (Amos 7:15). It was a hard word given him to preach: King Jeroboam would "die by the sword," and Israel would "go into exile away from his land" (Amos 7:10–11). For this word, Amos was hated and threatened. St. John the Baptist also suffered for his faithful preaching of repentance. King Herod "sent and seized John and bound him in prison," even though he knew that John "was a righteous and holy man" (Mark 6:17, 20). Out of pride and fear, Herod "sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head" (Mark 6:27). Yet in Christ, St. John the Baptist "has been raised from the dead" (Mark 6:14, 16). For Christ is the destruction of death itself "before the foundation of the world," and even now by faith, "the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ" has blessed us in Christ "with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places" (Eph. 1:3–4). Through Baptism into Christ, you also "were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit" for life and salvation (Eph. 1:13).

**Attendance:**

Sunday Service: 43 Communed: 39  
Mid-Week Service: 20 Communed: 13

**YES IN CHRIST -- Saying Yes With Our Treasures**

Needed per week to make budget: \$3,462

July 1st

Envelopes: \$3,691

Plate: \$193.17

Ice Cream Social Donation \$40

Memorial: Manden Sampson Cemetery \$60

Automatic Deposit: \$375

July 8th

Envelopes: \$1,302

Plate: \$161

Automatic Deposit: \$130

Baptized in our service  
this morning is Aiden  
James Kleinhans,  
daughter of Serena and  
Tyler Kleinhans, born

May 3, 2017 at Watertown Memorial Hospital. Sponsors are  
Mia Pergande and Luis Hernandez.



Are second baptism is Ricardo (Ricky) Solano from the  
Bethesda Fairfield group home. His birthday is Sept. 11,  
1994 in Milwaukee. I've also been instructing him for the last  
year so he will also be confirmed on Sunday so that he can  
receive the Lord's Supper.

Welcome to the family of God, Aiden and Ricky.

## THIS WEEK AT ZION

Monday 7pm

Mid-Week Service

HERE'S  
THE  
SCOOP!



The Ice Cream Social posters are ready to be picked up if anyone knows of a good place for a poster please take them and advertise for us – a big thank you to Kris Kohlhoff for the nice job. **There's still plenty of posters left if you know of a place that we can advertise.**

We also have the sign up sheets in the narthex if you're willing to donate some of the items that we need or if you want to just donate money, we'll be glad to use it towards items that we need. Also the sign up sheets for working are in the narthex too.

DATES TO  
REMEMBER

St. Louis Trip – July 28<sup>th</sup> to August 4.

Pastor's Last Service – August 5<sup>th</sup>

Ice Cream Social will be August 8<sup>th</sup>

August 18<sup>th</sup> – A workshop for Church Musicians – **NEW LOCATION– SEE PAGE 12 FOR MORE INFORMATION**



Pray for:.....

Safety for our group as we travel from Wisconsin to Missouri-more than 725 miles round trip

Good health, safety, no injuries for all of our volunteers, staff and campers.

Harmony, cooperation, patience, kind words, among all people involved in this mission project.

A spirit of Christian love, the mind of Christ and an outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the ears of our group so that we would be a strong witness to our campers, the members of the Holy Cross, our host families and all people that we come into contact with throughout the week.

An outpouring of the Holy Spirit so that the ears of the campers would be open to God's Word and our Christian witness. Pray that they would hunger for a relationship with Christ and a Christian community.

All staff and members of Holy Cross as they organize and prepare for this camp and VBS experience as well as the upcoming fall arts program.

Thank you people of Zion for your support!

**Pastor read this letter to the congregation on Sunday and Monday Services. He has requested that this be sent to all members of the congregation and put in the bulletin the next couple of weeks so most people are informed of his calling.**

Members of Zion, dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

July 8, 2018

I have accepted the call to serve as a theological educator at the Lutheran seminary in Jinja, Uganda. My last Sunday here at Zion will be August 5. I want to express my gratitude to God for leading me to serve as your pastor. I am deeply grateful for the opportunities I have had to proclaim the love and forgiveness that we have in our Savior, Jesus. I treasure the many kindnesses and all the love you have shown to me, my wife Karen and our family. Though I look forward with eager anticipation to the important kingdom work that lies ahead, Karen and I feel sadness in leaving you. Our bond with you goes deep through our faith in Jesus. Seven years have passed swiftly. I believe God has richly blessed our time and work together. He has steadfastly strengthened us through His Word and Sacraments. Thank you so much for your love and encouragement. Please know that God has good plans for you in the future. Even as I ask for your continued prayers, I will pray for you, that God will fill you with the joy of the Holy Spirit, protect you from the evil one, and make your faith in Jesus strong through His Word. I pray that God will send you an excellent pastor to lead you. I ask for your blessing as Karen and I go to Africa. I believe that your blessing and prayers will increase the fruitfulness of our work and help us move forward with joy. Remember that the separation that grieves us now is only temporary. We have a glorious future praising our loving God forever together. We will have plenty of time to catch up on anything we miss together now. I thank God for the opportunity to serve these past seven years as your pastor.

With deep affection and love to you all,

Pastor Schempf

“Look to the Lord and His strength, seek His face always.” Psalm 105:4



**A Workshop for Church Musicians:  
"Discerning New Repertoire and Improving Techniques"**  
Christiane Ben Cull (organ and choir) and John Beinke (pianoforte)  
Saturday, August 18, 2018, 9:00 AM—5:00 PM  
**NOTE NEW LOCATION:**  
Faith Lutheran Church  
WITZINGER Division Rd., Germantown WI 53022



Ben Cull is Managing Editor of *Northwest Publications* at Holy Lenten Congregation. An active composer, he serves as organist and choir director at Our Saviour Evangelical Lutheran Church in Wisconsin, Wis., WI.

Dr. John Beinke is organist and choir director at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, former editor for *AGS:100* Publishing, and director of the Milwaukee Handel Society. He also composes organ, handbell, and organ trans.

To register, email: john.beinke@csww.edu  
Please include your name, phone number, email address, and name of church.  
Fee: \$25 (Auroral ones, two, or all three sessions for \$25)

8:15 AM—9:00 AM: Registration  
9:00 AM—10:15 AM: Organ Workshop & New Music Reading Session  
10:15 AM—10:45 AM: Coffee Break  
10:45 AM—12:15 PM: Choral Workshop & New Music Reading Session  
12:15 PM—1:30 PM: Lunch on your own or under a hot lunch (approx. \$13.00)  
1:30 PM—4:00 PM: Handbell Workshop & New Music Reading Session

Music Purchase Available on Site at 20% Discount



Dan Frenck, I have you for your presence and sincere fellowship. I am so glad to see you at Trinity on May 15. Our "Make it Happen" event was so successful. We are so glad to see you at the workshop. Keep God's Handbell and Faith Society for the Wisconsin Choral Society work.

*"Make it Happen" offers musical and opportunities to present and enjoy God's gift of music in honor of the legacy of Trinity's magnificent 1879 sanctuary.*