

**Mt. Zion Lutheran Church
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Trinity 2 – Saturday, June 13th, 5 p.m., & Sunday, June 14th, 9 a.m.
Divine Service, Setting Three, p. 184
Hymns: 830, 559, 620, 622, 924
Sermon: “No Excuses for the Great Feast”
Text: Luke 14:15-24



Welcome guests! We are glad that you are here and pray that you will be blessed through the hearing of Christ's Word. We invite you to sign the guest register in the narthex before you leave and to worship with us again!

Guests and the Lord's Supper - Out of faithfulness to our Lord's Word and in love for all those who desire to commune, we practice closed communion. Our altar is open to those baptized Christians who confess oneness with us in doctrine, are communicant members of our congregation or sister congregations of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and are not under church discipline in another congregation. **If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, please speak to Pastor Koch before approaching the altar.**

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| Saturday Attendance: | 25 | Communed: | 24 |
| Sunday Attendance: | 58 | Communed: | 46 |

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| Weekly Amount Needed for Budget: | \$4,893.27 |
| Amount Received Last Week: | \$6,424.58 |

THIS WEEK AT MT. ZION

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| PICKLEBALL | MONDAY | 6:30-8:30 PM |
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| PRIVATE ABSOLUTION | SATURDAY | 4:15-4:45 PM |
| | SUNDAY | 8:15-8:45 AM |
| DIVINE SERVICE | SATURDAY | 5:00 PM |
| | SUNDAY | 9:00 AM |

The flowers at the foot of the cross are given to the glory of God by Dan and Sara Kohlmeier in thanksgiving for their 42nd wedding anniversary.

The Quarterly Voter's Meeting will be held today (Sunday), immediately following Divine Service. All members aged 18 and older are voting members, and we encourage you to attend.

Lutheran Witness Subscriptions - New and renewal subscriptions for our synodical publication, *The Lutheran Witness*, are due **TODAY!** Sample copies are in the narthex. Please sign up on the table in the narthex or contact Sara Kohlmeier if you would like to add a subscription. Cost is \$23.50/year for 11 issues (\$1.95/issue).

Please do not place used bulletins back on the narthex table. You may place them in the basket provided on the table. Thank you! - Sara

Portals of Prayer – The July – September issue of Portals of Prayer devotional booklets are available in the narthex.

Vacation Bible School – We are partnering again with Our Father's to hold VBS at Our Father's Lutheran School July 27-31. To sign up your kids, or if you are interested in volunteering, scan the QR codes on the posters or talk to Hannah Wieting. **Deadline to register is June 26th!**

Issues, Etc. - Expert guests, expansive topics, and extolling Christ are explored in the latest episodes covering these topics: The Tragedy of Islam, Purgatory, An Update on the Legal Battle Between the LCMS & Concordia University Texas, Declining Public School Enrollment, Children's Right's & Same Sex Marriage and more.

If you are going to be out of town over the summer, be sure to include the worship of God in your plans. You can go to LutheranLiturgy.org to find a church that uses our historic Lutheran liturgy. Our Father's Lutheran Church has a service on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. God grant you all a blessed summer in which you find your Sabbath rest in the gifts of Christ in His Word and Supper!

Focus on Stewardship - *Luke 14:19* – “*And another said, ‘I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them. Please have me excused.’*” The things of this world tempt us to cast aside the things of God. The things of this world demand our attention, time, finances, etc. But Jesus invites us to the feast — what could be more important than this gracious invitation? Today’s parable invites us to examine our own priorities and excuses, and then come home in humble repentance to the Lord who invites us.

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About Today's Readings

Wisdom has issued an invitation to the divine feast: “Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Leave your simple ways, and live, and walk in the way of insight” (Prov. 9:5–6). This is the call of the Spirit of Christ to believe the Gospel and to receive His saving gifts in the Holy Supper. Many make excuses and reject this invitation, even as the Jews did in the days of Jesus, yet the Master’s house will be filled. The Gospel call therefore goes out to the lowly and despised, into the highways, even to all the Gentiles (Luke 14:15–24). For “*you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ*” (Eph. 2:13–22). In Christ, believing Jews and Gentiles are no longer strangers but fellow members of the household of God. The enmity of class and race is put to death through the cross. Having been reconciled in the one Body of Christ, we are enabled to love one another as we await the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which will have no end.