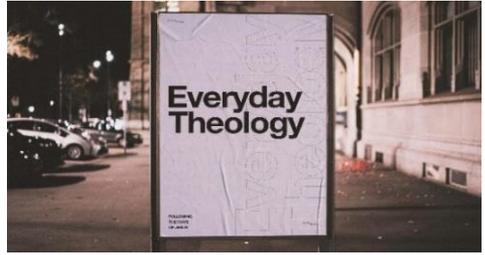




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SEPTEMBER 18, 2022 • 11:00AM • *FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST*

Welcome! We're excited you're here. In our service, we gather before Almighty God to offer Him our worship and praise. We come together to be strengthened through the study of God's Word and empowered to live as His witnesses.

Families, if you brought your children with you today, we want you to know that the spiritual well-being of your child is very important to us. Many families wish to encourage their younger child(ren) to be in church and get what they can out of it. If you feel that you need to take your child out; our staffed nursery is downstairs, in the Children's Ministry area. A restroom with a baby changing station is also located by the rear parking lot entrance to your left as you exit the atrium doors of the Multi-Ministry Center (MMC).

Guests, we welcome you. Please help us to get to know you by filling out the Guest side of the Welcome Card found in the chair backs and place it in the offering baskets.

As We Gather: The morning routine gives believers a tangible way to pause and invite God to strengthen us for the day ahead. Some questions to ponder on: What parts of parenting/ caring for little ones/ mentoring seem rewarding? What parts seem thankless? Whether you have children or not, do you have a positive or negative viewpoint toward parenthood? What does your morning routine entail? Is there a moment you can use to remind yourself to intentionally connect with God for strength for the day? Do you feel like you have to gut it out? How can you tap into the empowerment of the Holy Spirit instead of trying to do it all on your own?

Worship and Sunday Study @ Zion Lutheran:

Classic Services: 8:30am • Contemporary: 11:00am

9:45am Study/ Sunday School

Communion: 1st and 3rd Classic Services; 2nd and 4th Contemporary

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Opening Worship

*Whom Shall I Fear
Oceans*

Call to Worship

**Opening Sentences/
Confession and Absolution**

Children's Message

God's Word *(see opposite or screens)*

*Amos 8:4-7
Ephesians 3:14-21
Luke 16:1-15*

(Children dismissed for Children's Church (CC))

What We Believe

Apostles' Creed

Message

Offering

(Thanks for your support of God's mission here – Children return from CC.)

Prayers & Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Song

Glorious Day

Dismissal

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Amos 8:4–7

(An exhortation to live justly)

⁴Hear this, you who trample on the needy and bring the poor of the land to an end, ⁵saying, "When will the new moon be over, that we may sell grain? And the Sabbath, that we may offer wheat for sale, that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great and deal deceitfully with false balances, ⁶that we may buy the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and sell the chaff of the wheat?" ⁷The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: "Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Ephesians 3:14-21

(A Prayer for Spiritual Strength.)

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 16:1–15

(Jesus calls His disciples to make serving Him the priority.)

¹⁶He also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. ²And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' ³And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my

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HOLY GOSPEL *(cont.)*

master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴ I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.’ ⁵ So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶ He said, ‘A hundred measures^l of oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ ⁷ Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ ⁸ The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. ⁹ And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings. ¹⁰ “One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. ¹¹ If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹² And if you have not been faithful in that which is another’s, who will give you that which is your own? ¹³ No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.” ¹⁴ The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him. ¹⁵ And he said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

A HUGE “Thank you” to those that served to make worship happen today...

Message	Pastor Jason Hoerth	Elder.....	Glen Brueggemeier
Cont. Worship Ldr. ...	Dyann Cooper	Tech	Josh Cooper
Children’s Msg.	Chris Graves, DCE	Reader	Kristin O’Farrell
		Acolyte.....	Zoe McKinley

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