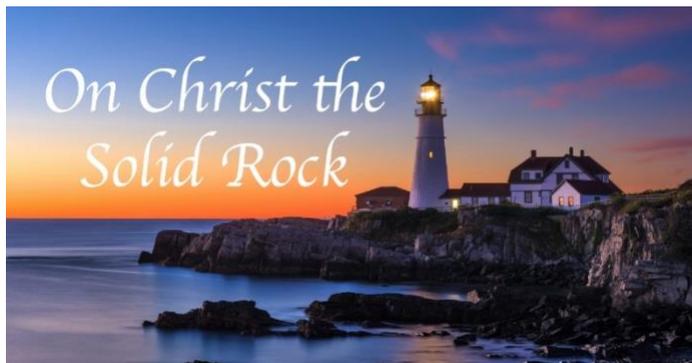


Zion Lutheran Church



**10:00 am Worship –
August 7, 2022**

1. **Memorial Service** - Fred Gibbs – Monday, August 8th – 10:30 am – 17th St. Beach in Barnegat Light.
2. **Standing on the**

Rock Together! – August 14th – Both Worship Services. A celebration of our Faith Community at Zion, renewing our commitment to Christ, to one another! Official Welcome to new members to our community!

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

While we still were sinners, Christ died for us. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, God promises to heal us and forgive us. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, **have mercy on us.**

For self-centered living, and for failing to walk with humility and gentleness: **God, holy and mighty, have mercy on us.**

For longing to have what is not ours, and for hearts that are not at rest with ourselves: **God, holy and mighty, have mercy on us.**

For misuse of human relationships, and for unwillingness to see the image of God in others: **God, holy and mighty, have mercy on us.**

For reluctance in sharing the gifts of God, and for carelessness with the fruits of creation: **God, holy and mighty, have mercy on us.**

For hurtful words that condemn, and for angry deeds that harm: **God, holy and mighty, have mercy on us.**

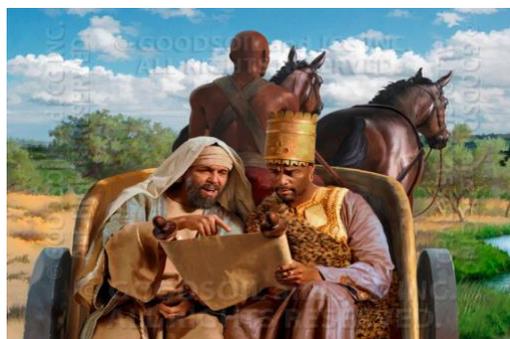
God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

HYMN: #774 – What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

Prayer of the Day – (all) O God of Grace, you have given us minds to know you, hearts to love you and voices to sing your praises. Fill us now with your Holy Spirit that we be filled with your love and mercy through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

GOD'S HOLY WORD

A Reading from the Book of Joshua 1: 1-9 - After the death of Moses the servant of the LORD, the LORD spoke to Joshua son of Nun, Moses' assistant, saying, ²My servant Moses is dead. Now proceed to cross the Jordan, you and all this people, into the land that I am giving to them, to the Israelites. ³Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, as I promised to Moses. ⁴From the wilderness and the Lebanon as far as the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, to the Great Sea in the west shall be your territory. ⁵No one shall be able to stand against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will not fail you or forsake you. ⁶Be strong and courageous; for you shall put this people in possession of the land that I swore to their ancestors to give them. ⁷Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to act in accordance with all the law that my servant Moses commanded



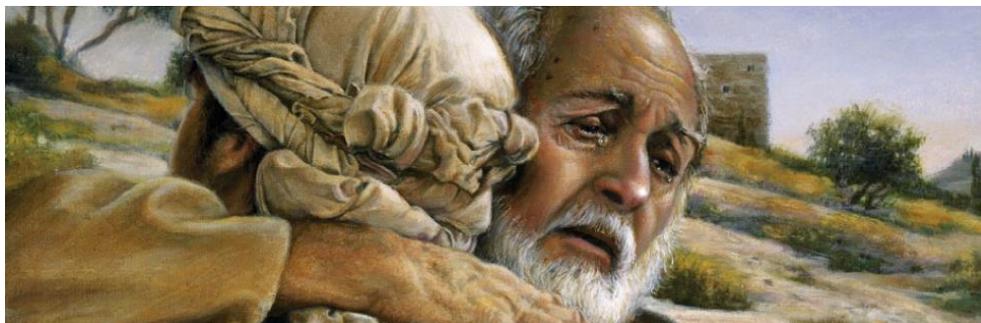
you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, so that you may be successful wherever you go. ⁸This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth; you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to act in accordance with all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall be successful. ⁹I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

PSALM 119

³⁴Give me understanding O Lord, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke 15 - **Glory to You, O Lord!**

¹¹Then Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons. ¹²The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. ¹³A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. ¹⁴When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. ¹⁶He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. ¹⁷But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! ¹⁸I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven



and before you; ¹⁹I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me

like one of your hired hands." ' ²⁰**So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion;** he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. ²¹Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' ²²But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe — the best one — and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. ²³**And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate;** ²⁴**for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!**'

The Gospel of the Lord...**Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!**

REFLECTIONS

HYMN: #708 – Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Prayers of Intercession

Prayer requests and greetings from your home!

Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer. *(A brief silence.)*

Rooted and built up in Christ, we pray for the church. **Help us to be the hands of Jesus caring for the needy of our world.**

Rejoicing in the works of your hands, we pray for the natural world. **Protect our oceans and bays may they continue to be cared for and protected from pollution by all of us who value them.**

Inspire all rulers and governing authorities with your justice. **Guide the work of legislators and public officials, may they work for the freedom and justice of all.**

Persistent in prayer, we pray for our neighbors in need. To all who have hunger, give daily bread. **To all who have bread, give a hunger for justice.**

Abounding in thanksgiving, we pray for the members and friends of Zion Lutheran Church. Bless our prayer and fellowship ministries.

Lord, call us together in times of praise and blessing, trouble and sorrow, that we may grow in our love for each other and for You!

We pray for all those in need today. We remember all who sick and those facing terminal illness. Bring healing and wholeness to all. By name we pray for ...(NAMES ARE READ ALOUD)

Heavenly Father, receive the prayers of your children, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.



THE OFFERTORY

Did you Know? You can make your offering to Zion online! It's easy and convenient, you can contribute directly from your checking account or charge to your credit card. Ask our Greeters for the sheet of simple instructions or use the green Giving button on our website, ZionLBI.org. Thank you for supporting our ministry.

Offering Prayer

God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

WE REMEMBER ON THE NIGHT BEFORE JESUS DIED...

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, the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Invitation to Communion

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come share in the banquet that Christ has prepared for us.

[Ushers will escort you to the Communion Rail to receive.

After receiving the wafer,

(GLUTEN FREE WAFERS AVAILABLE)

you will be able to take a small cup of wine (red)

or grape juice (white) from a tray.

Deposit the empty cup in the basket. Then return to your seat.]

Our time of Communion with the Lord and one another!



Prayer after Communion

Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

Blessing

May the God of peace, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

Amen!

CLOSING HYMN - #840 – Now Thank We All Our God!

Dismissal

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

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“God calls us to share our faith in Christ with the community in all seasons.”

8:30 am – Pavilion at 6th St. and Bayview Ave

10 am – Holy Communion at Zion

The Path of Discipleship in Christ!

- **Daily Prayer** – Communicating with the Lord, being in God’s presence. 6.26.
- **Daily Reading of God’s Word** – Allowing God’s Word to guide our paths. 7.3.

- **Weekly Worship** – Being with God’s People, celebrating the Mystery of Christ among us! Living in Community. 7.10.
- **Serving God and our neighbors** on a regular basis. 7.17.
- **Learning/Reading/Witnessing** about the Christian Life. 7.24
- **Living a life of generosity** with our money, time and talents. Caring for the poor and needy.7.31
- **Embracing the Cross** – Confessing my sinfulness and accepting the love of Jesus as my Savior. Living the mystery of the Cross and Resurrection in my own life, a life of mercy, forgiveness, love of enemy and victory. 8.7

