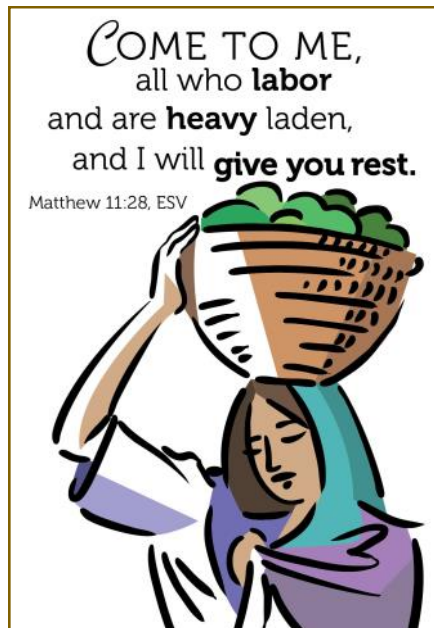


# Zion Lutheran Church



July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost



## [Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church & Preschool!](#)

Thank you for joining us in worship of the Lord. We would love to get to know you, and for you to learn more about our church family at Zion. Please stop by our welcome table as you leave worship. We cordially invite you to talk with Pastor Grimenstein, our Elders, or any of our church members to learn more about our fellowship. At our website -- [zlc.org](http://zlc.org) -- you can find out more about the many worship, Christian education, and fellowship opportunities at Zion.

### **Communion Statement**

We believe that in the Lord's Supper, Christ's physical body and blood are present in the bread and wine (1 Cor. 11:23-25). We also believe receiving the Lord's Supper is an act of church fellowship. Scripture cautions that those who receive without recognizing Christ's body and blood will bring judgment upon themselves (1 Cor. 11:27-29). Therefore, out of love to our guests, we invite to our altar to receive the Lord's Supper those who are baptized, confirmed, repentant members of Lutheran Church -- Missouri Synod congregations or sister congregations. If you are visiting us today from another Christian denomination, we welcome you to come to the altar to receive a baptismal blessing. Please signify by crossing your arms over your chest upon kneeling.

In preparation to receive the Lord's Supper in a worthy manner please consider reading "Christian Questions with their Answers" on Page 329-330. If you are interested in exploring membership, please talk with Pastor Grimenstein or call the church office.

### **Our Worship**

Our worship services are based on traditional church liturgies in which God speaks to us in His Word and we respond to Him. These liturgies were used by the early church almost 2000 years ago and are rich in scriptural meaning, connecting us to our past -- and future -- in Christ Jesus. There is a depth to Lutheran worship that can take time to appreciate, thus you may find that you don't understand everything that is happening the first week you visit. That's OK, we encourage you to keep visiting!

Opening Hymn -- Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun

#868



1 A - wake, my soul, and with the sun Thy dai - ly  
 2 In con - ver - sa - tion be sin - cere, Thy con - science  
 3 All praise to Thee, who safe hast kept And hast re -  
 4 Lord, I my vows to Thee re - new; Dis - perse my



stage of du - ty run; Shake off dull sloth and  
 as the noon - day clear; Think how the all - see - ing  
 freshed me while I slept; Grant, Lord, when I from  
 sins as morn - ing dew; Guard my first springs of



joy - ful rise To pay thy morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 God thy ways And all thy se - cret thoughts sur - veys.  
 death shall wake, I may of end - less light par - take.  
 thought and will And with Thy - self my spir - it fill.

5 Direct, control, suggest this day  
 All I design or do or say  
 That all my pow'rs with all their might  
 In Thy sole glory may unite.

△6 Praise God, from whom all blessings  
 flow;  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
 Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

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**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{†}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

### Service of the Word

**Troait – Psalm 91:2, 9–10; antiphon: v. 1**



**P** He who dwells in the shelter of the | Most High  
will abide in the shadow of the Al- | mighty.

**C** **I will say to the LORD, “My refuge and my | fortress,  
my God, in | whom I trust.”**

**Because you have made the LORD your | dwelling place—  
the Most High, who is my | refuge—  
no evil shall be allowed to be- | fall you,  
no plague come | near your tent.**

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

**P** He who dwells in the shelter of the | Most High  
will abide in the shadow of the Al- | mighty.

## Kyrie



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

## Gloria in Excelsis



**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### **Old Testament Reading -- Zechariah 9:9–12**

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

Behold, your king is coming to you;

righteous and having salvation is he,

humble and mounted on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall speak peace to the nations;

his rule shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;

today I declare that I will restore to you double.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### **Epistle Reading -- Romans 7:14–25a**

We know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, but I see in my members another law

waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Alleluia and Verse



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



**C** These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Holy Gospel

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eleventh chapter

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Apostles' Creed

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life  $\text{†}$  everlasting. Amen.

## Hymn of the Day -- Come unto Me, Ye Weary #684



- 1 "Come un - to Me, ye wea - ry, And I will give you rest."
- 2 "Come un - to Me, ye wan - d'ers, And I will give you light."
- 3 "Come un - to Me, ye faint - ing, And I will give you life."
- 4 "And who - so - ev - er com - eth, I will not cast him out."



- O bless - ed voice of Je - sus, Which comes to hearts op-pressed!  
O lov - ing voice of Je - sus, Which comes to cheer the night!  
O cheer-ing voice of Je - sus, Which comes to aid our strife!  
O pa - tient love of Je - sus, Which drives a - way our doubt,





It tells of ben - e - dic - tion, Of par - don, grace, and peace,  
Our hearts were filled with sad - ness, And we had lost our way;  
The foe is stern and ea - ger, The fight is fierce and long;  
Which, though we be un - wor - thy Of love so great and free,



Of joy that hath no end - ing, Of love that can - not cease.  
But Thou hast brought us glad - ness And songs at break of day.  
But Thou hast made us might - y And strong - er than the strong.  
In - vites us ver - y sin - ners To come, dear Lord, to Thee!

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## Sermon

### Reception of New Member (10:30 am)

Ben Ward

## Prayer of the Church

**P** ... Lord in your mercy.

**C** ... Hear our prayer.

## Gathering of Offerings

*Offering plates are located on the tables at the main and side entrances to the sanctuary.*

### Service of the Sacrament

## Preface

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

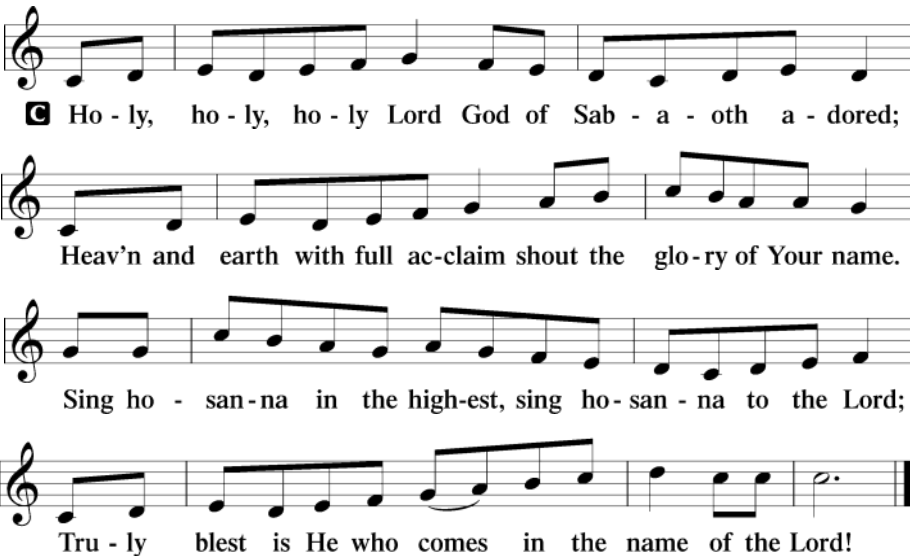
**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;  
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.  
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;  
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

### Lord's Prayer

- C** 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.

### The Words of Our Lord

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

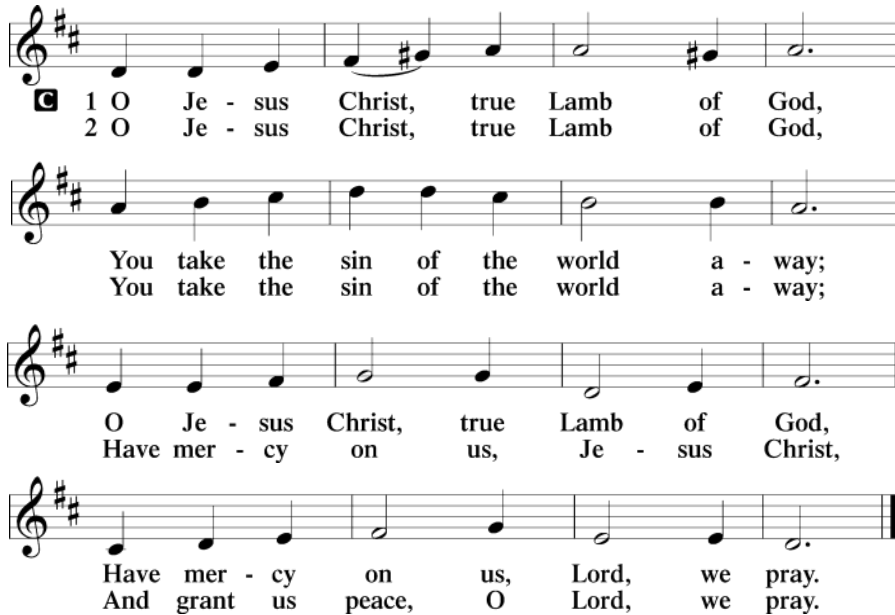
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### Pax Domini

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** Amen.



## Agnus Dei



1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,

You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,

Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

## Distribution

*If you are visiting us today from a Christian denomination outside the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, we welcome you to come to the altar to receive a baptismal blessing. Please signify by crossing your arms over your chest upon kneeling.*

### Distribution Hymns

When Peace, like a River	#763
Be Still, My Soul, before the Lord	#771
You Satisfy the Hungry Heart	#641

## Nunc Dimittis



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



### Post-Communion Collect

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### Benedicamus

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\text{I}$  give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## Closing Hymn -- Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go

#920



1 Forth in the peace of Christ we go;  
2 King of our hearts, Christ makes us kings;  
3 Priests of the world, Christ sends us forth  
4 Christ's are our lips, His Word we speak;  
5 We are the Church; Christ bids us show



Christ to the world with joy we bring;  
King - ship with Him His ser - vants gain;  
This world of time to con - se - crate,  
Proph - ets are we whose deeds pro - claim  
That in His Church all na - tions find



Christ in our minds, Christ on our lips,  
With Christ the Ser - vant - Lord of all,  
This world of sin by grace to heal,  
Christ's truth in love that we may be  
Their hearth and home where Christ re - stores



Christ in our hearts, the world's true king.  
Christ's world we serve to share Christ's reign.  
Christ's world in Christ to re - cre - ate.  
Christ in the world, to spread Christ's name.  
True peace, true love to all man - kind.

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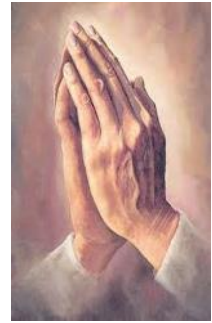
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## Prayer Requests for Family & Friends

### *The Church:*

-**For our homebound members:** Florence Boehme, Ron Valentino, Ted & Marian Siek.

-**Healing & Strength for:** Tom & Kim Erbrecht, Garry Healy (nephew of Janet Zreliak), Jim Neill, Tim & Kami Fitzgerald, Shannon (sister of Maryann McClure), Jon Canale, Judy Bridges, Baby Micah (premature birth), Pastor Ernest Knoche, Jim and Lisa Kress, Rose Steranko, Millie Thielet, Jen Fitzgerald, Barbara & Kara Koski, Mike Wallace, Joanne Garloff, Neil Ackerman, Richard Hultman, Rita Sheldon, Dennis Finney, Eva Bukovitz, Judy Graziano, Alyssa Mance, Shannon Mance, Dave Hutula, and Mabel Granke.



-**For our missions/missionaries,** especially Rev. Phil & Deaconess Rachel Jaseph and The Siberian Lutheran Mission Society.

-For the ministry of Zion Lutheran Sunday School and Preschool.

### *The World:*

-For peace in Ukraine.

-For an end to abortion and human trafficking.

-For the youth in our community.

### *Our Nation:*

-For our leaders and government officials.

-For those in foster care and those looking to adopt.

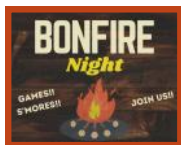
-For the disabled, unborn and aged.

## *Service Participants*

Guest Pastor:	Rev. James Oester
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
Organist:	Doug Krantz
Elders:	Bob Schmidt, Mike Kroeger (8:00) Jim Neill, Roger Diederich (10:30)
Acolytes:	Emily Trentini (8:00); Elder (10:30)
Ushers:	Megan & Ava Pasquini; Wayne & Barb Oechslein (8:00) John & Kari Gresh; Dwight & Andy Weldon (10:30)
Altar Guild:	Janet & Marian Oelschlager

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by Tracey & John Coyle in celebration of Tracey's mother, Florence Boehme's birthday; and by Elsie Dalla Piazza, in memory of her grandparents, Andrew & Julia Wagner.

**ETERNAL LIGHT** is given by Terry Hayes in celebration of her brother's birthday.



**JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY 7/16 AT 6:30 FOR YOUTH GROUP** (7th-12th grade). We'll have outdoor games and a bonfire with lots of campfire goodies!

**PARENTS ...** A Nursery Room for children 3 and under is available in the lower level near the Fellowship Hall (Room 101) Parent supervision is required, and audio is available so you don't miss the service. In addition, the Family Care Room in the narthex (near the main entrance) is equipped with a nursing chair and changing station items. *(please note, this area is not sound-proofed from the sanctuary).*



### Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (7/2) -- 42 (8 am); 69 (10:30 am)

Plate Offerings (7/2) -- \$3538 Online Offering -- \$16,365

*Online giving is available on Zion's website at [www.zlcb.org/donate](http://www.zlcb.org/donate)*





## *This Week at Zion*

<b>SUN</b> <b>7/9</b>	8:00 AM -- Worship 9:15 AM -- Adult/Teen Bible Study & Summer SS 10:30 AM -- Worship 125th Banquet Planning Committee Mtg.
<b>MON</b> <b>7/10</b>	
<b>TUE</b> <b>7/11</b>	
<b>WED</b> <b>7/12</b>	2:00 PM -- Worship & Bible Study 7:00 PM -- Elders' Meeting
<b>THU</b> <b>7/13</b>	7:00 PM -- Council Meeting
<b>FRI</b> <b>7/14</b>	
<b>SAT</b> <b>7/15</b>	
<b>SUN</b> <b>7/16</b>	8:00 AM -- Worship 9:15 AM -- Adult/Teen Bible Study & Summer SS 10:30 AM -- Worship 11:30 AM -- VBS Meeting 6:30 PM -- Youth Group Bonfire & Outdoor games

# VBS is July 24-28, from 9 am to Noon

Our theme is "God's Living Water" from CPH

80 Kids are registered, and we need a few more volunteers to ensure the success of our program!

If you are able to give of your time to this wonderful ministry for children, please contact Karen at [kkress5@gmail.com](mailto:kkress5@gmail.com) or Megan at [proverbs31meg@yahoo.com](mailto:proverbs31meg@yahoo.com).



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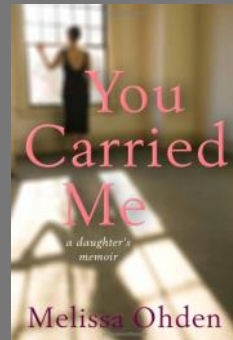
## July Women's Summer Book Club

Tues, July 18<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm at the Parsonage

Light Refreshments will be served

Watch your emails for a sign up!

Contact Tevia Grimenstein for paperback copies



**You Carried Me**  
By Melissa Ohden

# KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

**P**: LET US PRAY TO THE LORD



## What is the “Prayer of the Church”?

The Prayer of the Church, or the “general prayer” as it’s sometimes called, is the part in the service where the pastor leads us through a series of petitions, or prayers, with responses from the congregation. For example, after each petition the pastor may say: **“Let us pray to the Lord,”** and the congregation may respond with **“Lord, have mercy.”** See if you can find the Prayer of the Church in your hymnal. Try to find the other response that the pastor and congregation might say.

**R**: LORD, HAVE MERCY



## Why do we do this in the Divine Service?

Do you know anyone who needs praying for? Wouldn't you like to have the rest of the congregation praying for that person too? During the Prayer of the Church, we pray for all of the people of our congregation, particularly those who are sick and shut-in. We also pray for our missionaries, for our government, for all believers and many others. No wonder it's called the Prayer of the Church!



**Parents:** Before the Divine Service, remind your children to pay close attention to the words of the prayers. Encourage them to join in the responses with the rest of the congregation. Try using these responses in your prayers at home.



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