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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).

The Lord's Supper is offered today at Zion. Communicant members and members of our sister (LCMS) congregations are invited to commune at this altar. Please speak to our pastor if you have any questions about our communion practice. We would love to discuss the doctrine of the Lord's Supper and joy of Christian fellowship. Please know the gifts of Jesus were given for you—but the proper spiritual preparation for communion is commanded by the Word of God (1 Cor 11:23-29). Those who do not yet commune here may come forward for a blessing (simply fold your arms over your heart to receive a Baptismal blessing) or you may remain in the pew during communion to join us in song and praise. There are no "offering" plates passed during the service. Rather, offering plates are set at the front pew. You are invited to leave an offering of thanks to Christ on your way to communion or any time during the first part of the service.

A PRAYER UPON ENTERING THE LORD'S HOUSE

O God, your Son Jesus called disciples and sent them out with the authority of the Word. Help us to dare to believe that you have called us and sent us out with that same authority to bring many to love of your name; through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

DIVINE SERVICE Setting III

HYMN OF INVOCATION: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" LSB #686

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: Page 184

Introit Psalm 143:1–2, 8a; antiphon: v. 11

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.

For your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life!

In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!

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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. Amen

OLD TESTAMENT: Amos 7:7-15

EPISTLE READING: Ephesians 1:3-14

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HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 6:14-29

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HYMN OF THE DAY: "Lord, "Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee" LSB #573

SERMON: "He Chose Us!" (Ephesians 1)

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: (See Prayer List on Page 6 of Bulletin)

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DISTRIBUTION: "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord" *LSB* #637

"The Gifts Christ Freely Gives" LSB #602

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" LSB #793

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CLOSING: "Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings" LSB #782

Our Lord's Current Business

Welcome to worship. "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ ... according to the riches of his grace" (Ephesians 1:3, 7, NRSV). Amen. "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it" (Psalm 24:1, NIV). May all who gather here today rejoice in your goodness, O Lord!

A heartfelt "Thank You" to Dan & Melissa Linse for sponsorship of the bulletin this week in honor of their 23rd wedding anniversary July 14! Happy Anniversary!

7/14 Sunday Education Hour – Sunday Education Hour – Today's lesson in our "By Faith" series will focus on Joseph. We will see how God used Joseph's life to preserve and protect His people. Next week we will see how God used Moses to lead His people to the promised land. There will be age-appropriate stories, crafts, and activities for all. Come join us!

Parking Lot Project Pledge for Matching Funds Sheets can be found in the Resource Center. Thank you for your prayerful offering toward the Parking Lot Project enhancing our church.

Pop-up Choir - our next pop-up choir date is July 28 - put it on your calendar and come join us! If you would like a copy of the music, or a link to the song we are singing, please contact Jane through the church office.

Saturday Morning Men's Group with Breakfast is taking a break for July & August. It will resume in September. Please watch the newsletter and bulletins for the exact date for this group to resume.

Board of Elders meeting on Tuesday July 15th at 7:00 p.m.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace for this area is in need of bed pillows and mattress pads. If you have any questions please call the office here at Zion.

Thursday Morning Bible Class-We will take a closer look at how God is at work in our lives and in our world through us today. What is my purpose in life? How can I know what I am supposed to do with my life? Exploring the book "God at Work" by Gene Veith we learn more about our Christian "vocation" or "callings" in life, whether we're employed or retired, and how God is working through them. This interactive class is open to anyone and will meet Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m. at the outdoor Pavilion on the west side of Mondovi's Mirror Lake.

The Call Committee sent a letter to all members regarding a congregational self-study survey. There were 2 copies of the survey plus profile definitions in this mailing. This will help the Committee provide our District Office with accurate information about Zion. We would like to encourage all members to fill out the survey. Everyone confirmation age or above is asked to complete the survey by July 17. Extra surveys can be found in the Narthex and the Resource Center - completed surveys may also be returned to either spot. Thank you in advance for filling out the survey and for your prayers for the committee, Zion and our future pastor.

Nomination Forms are available in the Resource Center or in the office. Please fill out one of these forms(envelope provided for privacy). Then give to Diane, our Administrative Assistant, or put in her mailbox or slide it under her office door. If you have any questions, please contact John Schultz, Chairman of Call Committee.

Members of the Call Committee are Dan Heike, Jeremy Anderson, Jane Reineke, Laura Nowasky, Joel Lewiston, Matt Mohn, and John Schultz.

Our Lord's On-Going Business

Quilters meet each Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. to about 3:30 p.m. Feel free to stop for a few minutes to visit or to help. If coming for the day, bring a lunch for yourself. *Will not meet on the 17th*.

Bulletin or Newsletter announcements-please submit them to office@zionmondovi.come, call the office at 715-926-3664 or leave a written note in Diane's mailbox. Please be precise on how you want the information communicated bulletin, newsletter, etc.

Large print hymnals are available for use during our services here at Zion. They are in the Narthex on the table. There is a sign above their location.

If you are in need of church envelopes, please call the church office at 715-926-3664 or email at office@ zionmondovi.com. A box will have your number placed on the envelopes and placed in your mailbox in the narthex. Using your numbered church envelopes assists our counters with their weekly counting. Thank you for your assistance and offering!

There are beautiful greeting cards located in our Resource Center. Single purchase cards and other boxed cards all with Christian sentiments. This is a service of your Zion Ladies Society (not a money maker) so we keep the prices low.

Want to stay cool? Grab a puzzle from Zion Resource Center and sit around a table indoors and out of the sun



ZIONS PRAYER LIST:

For those seeking healing: Jessica Loewenhagen, Ron Laehn, Jana Olson, Marge Linse, Al Rustad, Ai and Xu Jian (mother and brother of Sunny L.), Barb, Matt Ebben, Peggy Waldbillig, Elsie Steinbach, Richard and Bev Brion, Missy, Jackie, Shadie, Scott Anderson, Jeremiah Segerstrom, Savannah Au, Pastor Carl Ames, Donna Seltrecht, Tim Odegard, Marvin Stay, Lois Stay, Jack Benning, David Bloss, Jean Fleming, Dean McGee, Jean Sandberg Thanksgiving for those celebrating birthdays: Debra Hill, Allison Hoffman, John Heck, Kari Cheek, Marvin Stay, Collin Weltien, David Reineke, Todd Holstein, Bill Sessions Sr., Elizabeth Sievert. Thanksgiving for those celebrating anniversaries: Dan & Melissa Linse, Oscar & Vicki Howell.

*LaRae Grotzinger has volunteered to help coordinate our prayer chain. If you have any updates to this list, please contact her (scrapperswife@frontiernet.net), the office, or Pastor. You may also utilize the prayer box found in the narthex.

Please see the signup sheet for Bulletin Sponsorship 2024 in the Narthex. There is also a signup sheet next to it for a donation of altar flowers. Please include first & last names when signing up and include who the bulletin or flowers are "in memory of" or "in honor of."

Would you like to help here at Zion? We are looking for individuals to do the screen during services on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings. It is not every week, and if you're scheduled but cannot do it, just let us know. If you are interested please stop in, call or email Diane.

Please check the Resource Center for Lost Items. There are also 2 nice coats that have been hanging in the Narthex for a couple of months. If you seem to have misplaced a coat, please take a look in the Narthex.







OUR WEEK'S WORK (July 15-21, 2024)

MON.	BASIC Deadline	
	Board of Elders	7:00 p.m.
WEDS.	Red Cross Blood Drive	12:00 p.m.
	Divine Service	7:00 p.m.
THUR.	Adult Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
	Ruby's Pantry	4:00 p.m.
SUN.	Divine Service	9:00 a.m.
	Education Hour	10:30 a.m.







A Stewardship Thought

Ephesians 2:13 - "But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ." What all of mankind's efforts, works and scheming could not do, the blood of Christ did: We have peace with God, and we are brought near to the Father. This life-giving sacrifice of Christ sets the pattern for the sacrifices we are called to make for others in our vocations in home, church and society.







OUR WORSHIP LAST WEEK

Attendance: Weds.	14	Sunday 75
General Offering:	\$	3030.00
TIM	\$	5.00
Parking Lot Loan	\$	20.00
Budget Year-to -Date:	\$	130,782.68
Offerings Year-to -Date:	\$	129,141.87
Expenses EOM-YTD	\$	108,419.00



SERVING THIS WEEK (July 10-14, 2024)

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Accom:	Bill Ickstadt	Wed.	7:00 p.m.		
	Jane Reineke	Sun.	9:00 a.m.		
Elder:	Joe Osenga	Wed.	7:00 p.m.		
	Craig Loscheider	Sun.	9:00 a.m.		
Usher:	Louie Moyer	Wed.	7:00 p.m.		
	Galen Aase	Sun.	9:00 a.m.		
Greeter:	Nancy Jardine	Wed.	7:00 p.m.		
	Audrey Aase	Sun.	9:00 a.m.		
Acolyte:	Tanner Osenga	Wed.	7:00 p.m.		
	Becca Osenga	Wed.	7:00 p.m.		
	Jacob Loscheider	Sun.	9:00 a.m.		
Screen:	Osenga Family	Wed.	7:00 p.m.		
	A.J. Loscheider	Sun.	9:00 a.m.		

Finance: Chris Heike & Jeremy Anderson Altar Guild: Shirley Hayden & Nancy Glanzman







SERVING NEXT WEEK SCHEDULE (July 17-21, 2024)

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Accom:	Mary Gehrke		
Elder:	Gene Schultz	Wed.	7:00 p.m.
	Galen Aase	Sun.	9:00 a.m.
Usher:	Dennis Ring	Wed.	7:00 p.m.
	Butch Waldbillig	Sun.	9:00 a.m.
Greeter	: Cindy Ring	Wed.	7:00 p.m.
	Robin Taylor	Sun.	9:00 a.m.
Acolyte:	Jayden Miller	Wed.	7:00 p.m.
	Amelia Bethke	Wed.	7:00 p.m.
	Mason McDonough	Sun.	9:00 a.m.
Screen:	Wendi Ashwell	Wed.	7:00 p.m.
	Julie Kacures	Sun.	9:00 a.m.

Finance: Susan Loomis & Margaret Ronnei Altar Guild: Shirley Hayden & Nancy Glanzman

