

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday, June 28, 2020
*Please stand as you are able.

Salem-Zion Church of Pillow
Zion Stone Valley, Hickory Corners

*Welcome Joys and Concerns State of the Parish
Prelude* “

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**Evoking the Mystery*

Lighting of the Candles and Presentation of the Communion

**Remembering Our Baptism: Make the sign of the cross*

**Opening Hymn “This is My Father’s World” 143*

This is my Fa-ther’s world, And to my lis-t’ing ears
All na-ture sings, and round me rings The mu-sic of the spheres.
This is my Father’s world, I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees of skies and seas—His hand the won-ders wrought.

This is my Fa-ther’s world, The birds their car-ols raise;
The morn-ing light, the lil-ey white De-clare their Mak-er’s praise.
This is my Fa-ther’s world, He shines in all that’s fair;
In the rus-ting grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me ev-ery-where.

This is my Fa-ther’s world, O let me ne’er forget
That though the wrong, seems oft so strong, God is the Rul-er yet.
This is my Fa-ther’s world, The bat-tle is not done;
Je-sus, who died, shall be sat-is-fied, And earth and heav-n be one.

TEXT: Maltbie D. Babcock

MUSIC: Traditional English melody, adapted by Franklin L. Sheppard

TERRA BEATA

S.M.D.

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**Call to Confession*

One: Let us confess to God and before one another our sins and especially our failure to act out of love and compassion.

****Prayer of Confession***

One: Reconciling God,

The Many: we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

Silence for reflection of one's own individual time of confession.

****Assurance of Pardon***

One: Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through ✠ Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven.

Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

****Prayer of the Day***

The Many: O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE WORD

See the 'Celebrate' Insert for all the readings.

First Reading

Jeremiah 28:5-9

Through a symbolic action Jeremiah insisted that Judah and all the surrounding nations should submit to the king of Babylon (Jer. 27). Hananiah contradicted the word of Jeremiah, who in reply insisted that Hananiah's rosy prediction should not be believed until it came true. God confirmed the word of Jeremiah and sentenced the false prophet Hananiah to death (vv. 16-17).

Jeremiah 28:5-9

⁵The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; ⁶and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. ⁷But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. ⁹As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

The Word of the Lord: Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18

Spoken Refrain

Your love, O Lord, forever will I sing. (Ps. 89:1)

¹Your love, O Lord, forever | will I sing;

from age to age my mouth will pro- | claim your faithfulness.

²**For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is estab- | lished forever;
you have set your faithfulness firmly | in the heavens.**

³**I have made a covenant with my | chosen one;**

I have sworn an oath to Da- | vid my servant:

⁴**I will establish your | line forever,
and preserve your throne for all | generations.’ ” R**

Your love, O Lord, forever will I sing.

¹⁵Happy are the people who know the | festal shout!

They walk, O Lord, in the light | of your presence.

¹⁶**They rejoice daily | in your name;
they are jubilant | in your righteousness.**

¹⁷For you are the glory | of their strength,
and by your favor our might | is exalted.

¹⁸**Truly, our shield belongs | to the Lord;
our king to the Holy | One of Israel. R**

Your love, O Lord, forever will I sing.

Second Reading

Romans 6:12-23

Sin is an enslaving power which motivates us to live self-serving, disobedient lives. Sin's final payoff is death. We, however, have been set free from sin's slavery to live obediently under God's grace, whose end is the free gift of eternal life.

Romans 6:12-23

¹²Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. ¹³No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, ¹⁸and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹So what advantage

did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²²But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 10th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

****Gospel Reading*** **Matthew 10:40-42**

When Jesus sends his disciples out as missionaries, he warns them of persecution and hardships they will face. He also promises to reward any who aid his followers and support their ministry.

Matthew 10:40-42

[Jesus said to the twelve:] ⁴⁰“Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴²and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

****Gospel Response*** ‘Halle, Halle, Hallelujah’

Halle halle, hal-le-lu-jah!

Halle, halle, hal-le-lu-jah!

Halle, halle, hal-le-lu-jah!

Hallehuhjah! Hal- le-lu- jah!

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Sermon Rev. Curtis H. E. Zemencik, Pastor

****Sermon Hymn “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy” 355***

**There’s a wide-ness in God’s mercy Like the wide-ness of the sea;
There’s a kind-ness in His jus-tice Which is more than lib-er-ty.**

**There is wel-come for the sin-ner And more grac-es for the good;
There is mer-cy with the Sav-ior; There is heal-ing in His blood.**

**For the love of God is broad-er Than the mea-sure of man’s mind;
And the heart of the E-ter-nal Is most won-der-ful-ly kind.**

**If our love were but more sim-ple, We should take Him at His word;
And our lives would be il-lu-mined By the pres-ence of our Lord.**

TEXT: Frederick W. Faber

MUSIC: Lizzie S. Tourjee

WELLESLEY

8.7.8.7.

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Our Response

Affirmation of Faith

Let us profess our faith **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer Concern

SHIRLEY MILLER, NANCY STRAUB, CAROL RONNGREN, BENNETT BINGAMAN, SANDY PAUL, JOHN SHAFFER, PAUL FEGER, SHARON COMES, RICH & JOAN BITTING, PAUL WELKER, **MADelyn MAURER, CONNER STATTERWHITE 4 YEAR OLD WHO SUFFERS FROM LEUKEMIA, COVID-19 VICTIMS, FRONT-LINE WORKERS IN THIS PANDEMIC, THE NATION**

Meditative Music Song Softly or Hummed

Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

He's my Savior, He's my Savior, He's my Savior, He's my Savior,
He's my Savior, He's my Savior, He's my Savior, He's my Savior.

He is worthy, He is worthy, He is worthy, He is worthy,
He is worthy, He is worthy, He is worthy, He is worthy.

I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I will praise Him.
I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I will praise Him.

TEXT: Jerry Sinclair

MUSIC: Jerry Sinclair

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ALLELUIA

L.M.

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Prayers of the People

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.

A brief silence.

God of companionship, encourage our relationships with our siblings in Christ. Bless our conversations. Shape our shared future and give us hearts eager to join in a festal shout of praise. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of abundance, you make your creation thrive and grow to provide all that we need. Inspire us to care for our environment and be attuned to where the earth is crying out. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of mercy, your grace is poured out for all. Inspire authorities, judges, and politicians to act with compassion. Teach us to overcome fear with hope, meet hate with love, and welcome one another as we would welcome you. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of care, accompany all who are in deepest need. Comfort those who are sick, lonely, or abandoned (*especially*). Strengthen those who are in prison or awaiting trial. Renew the spirits of all who call upon you. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of community, we give thanks for this congregation. Give us passion to embrace your mission and the vision to recognize where you are leading us. Teach us how to live more faithfully with each other. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

God of love, you gather in your embrace all who have died (*especially Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyon*). Keep us steadfast in our faith and renew our trust in your promise. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Offertory Service

Call to offering

One: The church is not a private club that we maintain for our own benefit. It is a mission outpost, constantly enlisting us and our resources for the spreading of good news and the increase of God's reign of love. Our offerings are one measure of how seriously we take our call as ambassadors for Christ. Let us reflect the many ways we can offer ourselves to your church community and sisters and brothers throughout the world. Those of us gathered here this morning will have the opportunity to place your monetary offering into the collection containers as you depart our gathering those of us who are worshiping virtually can present your monetary offerings by mailing them to the church addresses as posted with our bulletin this morning.

Musical Offertory "We Are An Offering" pg. #678

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, We lift our lives up to You, We are an offering.

Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are Yours; We are an offering. All that we have, All that we are, All that we hope to be, we give to You, we Give to You. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, We lift our Lives up to You; We are an offering, we are and offering.

TEXT: Dwight Liles

MUSIC: Dwight Liles

OFFERING

Irregular meter

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**Prayer of Dedication of Offering*

Many: Generous and loving God, we dedicate to your service the work of our hands, the earnings of our time and efforts, and our vision for the future. May faith sustain us as we offer our best to you in praise and thanksgiving and joyous dedication. We seek to work for the reign of your truth and extension of the friendship granted to us in Jesus Christ. Let our offering bear fruit in the lives of all who are helped by it. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Many: 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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 Sending

**Commission & Benediction*

Our worship is ended, but now our service begins! Go from this place for you are the body of Christ and the whole world awaits you; So, live passionately, love faithfully, and celebrate every moment of your life from now until the finale! Our God of resurrecting grace goes with you. Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the holy Trinity, † one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.
Amen.

**Threefold Amen*

**Parting Hymn "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" 581*

**'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to take Him at His word,
Just to rest up-on His prom-ise, Just to know: "Thus saith the Lord."**

**O how sweet to trust in Je-sus, Just to trust His cleans-ing blood,
Just in sim-ple faith to plunge me 'Neath the heal-ing, cleans-ing flood!**

**Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Je-sus, Just from sin and self to cease,
Just from Je-sus sim-ply taking Life and rest, and joy and peace.**

**I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee, Pre-cious Je-sus, Sav-ior, Friend;
And I know that Thou art with me, Wilt be with me to the end.**

Refrain

**Je-sus Je-sus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!
Je-sus, Je-sus, pre-cious Je-sus! O for grace to trust Him more!**

TEXT: Louisa M. R. Snead

MUSIC: William J. Kirkpatrick

TRUST IN JESUS

8.7.8.7. with Refrain

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**Postlude*

Keeping You Posted

Welcome everyone to our morning worship service here at Drive-In Worship, virtual worship on the FaceBook Live Feed and In Sanctuary Worship at Zion Stone Valley. Please type in a comment to let us know you are with us this morning or give a toot of your vehicle horn.

In order to protect the health of our church family, “LOVE OUR NEIGHBOR”, and to satisfy the requirements of insurance, we will practice the following mitigation measures.

- Please wear a mask into the church building until you have a seat. If you are comfortable wearing the mask throughout worship you are urged if you are not comfortable you may take the mask off but when you go to move from your place you must put your mask back on, please.

-Please use the hand sanitizer. There are bottles located at all exits, restrooms and other locations inside the sanctuary.

-Please maintain a distance of at least 6 feet from those not in your household and sit in pews leaving a pew between you.

- In order to reduce contact, we will not be sharing the peace during worship.

- The offerings will not be collected but, can be placed in the offering plates at the exits in the sanctuary.

- We need to protect our most vulnerable, so please, avoid shaking hands or hugging and other forms of contact.

- We will not be singing! Studies have shown that virus droplets travel further when someone sings even from behind a mask. We know you enjoy music, so it will still be played in our service. Enjoy the music! Clap, Dance, Snap, follow the words and say them in your mind, please do not sing!

Thank you for caring and loving your neighbor!!!

Our Parish really wants to and needs to keep in contact with you!!! Sometimes, especially during emergency situations, as we have been experiencing, we need to get you information quickly, such as a NEWS UPDATE or worship Cancellation. There are many of us who have cellular phones and EMAIL account but have been reluctant to share it with the church secretary for a group email situation. Please, we contract with you, not to use your email for other things except for church affairs. We will make sure that your address will be kept hidden and not shared but undisclosed. **Each time we need to get immediate information to you we must pay .50 cents a letter or about \$25 to \$30.** Thank you, Pastor Curtis.

Our individual churches and also the parish continue to have financial obligations to fulfill, so even though you may not be gathering at person to person worship, we still need to continue to give our tithes and offerings for the financial needs of our local congregation and the many ministries and outreaches we participate. Please mail your church donations to:

SALEM-ZION CHURCH OF PILLOW, INC.

POST OFFICE BOX 116

PILLOW, PA 17080

OR

ZION STONE VALLEY CHURCH

1899 MOUNTAIN ROAD

DALMATIA, PA 17017

Worship Schedules:

9:00am Drive-In worship will be in the Park at Salem-Zion Church of Pillow

10:30am In Sanctuary Worship at Zion Stone Valley Church

The live feed worship services on Facebook will continue. The times of Live Feed Worship will be shared in the Park and also the sanctuary of Zion Stone Valley. So, watch for announcements and time when service will be live feed or you can watch on your own time again, from the faceBook Pages of our congregations' or Pastor Curtis' FaceBook Account.

Line Mountain Backpack Program Offers Special noon lunches and pantry boxes

The students will continue to receive their weekly weekend backpack foods each Wednesday. All Students are welcome and urged to come and get a prepared lunch for you to take home. All residents of Line Mountain School District are urged to pickup a box of Shelf-stable items, fresh and frozen foods or fresh produce. We are in partnership with the Food Bank of Central Pa along with the USDA and Farmers consortium Items will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis.

Distribution Locations and Times:

Each Wednesday 11:30am to 1:00pm

Zion Lutheran Church 603 Market Street, Trevorton

Zion Stone Valley Church 1899 Mountain Road, Dalmatia (Hickory Corners).

Food Collection Schedule:

6-8pm, Monday, June 29- Salem-Zion Church of Pillow. Place in Rear of Sanctuary.

10-12, Tuesday, June 30- Zion Stone Valley Church, Hickory Corners. Place in Sunday School Entrance.

Especially needed at this time for Line Mountain Food Bank are: Spam, chicken broth, tuna packed in water, chicken packed in water, Chef Boyardee ravioli (especially 40 ounce cans although all sizes are accepted), peanut butter, canned fruit, and paper products especially facial tissue.

Especially needed at this time for Backpack Program are: Mac & cheese cups, Rice cups/pouches, Chicken noodle soup or similar, Mashed potato cups/packets, Knorr noodles/packets/sides, Little cans of beanies & weenies, Veggie cups or small cans, Snack cups of pickles, Breakfast essentials, Pop tarts.

Virtual Christian Education Opportunities:

Confirmation class will meet each Monday night at 8:30pm via ZOOM. Pastor Curtis will email the scheduled meetings with the link and password. You will need to get the textbook at worship this Sunday.

Vacation Bible School

Our committee has been meeting to decide on the theme for this summer's VBS. **We are going DIGITAL by using ZOOM, FACEBOOK, and possible other platforms. Keep an eye open for the BIG REVEAL!!!!**

Gospel Concert "Chapter VII Gospel Quartet"

Come hear the word of God and the love of Jesus in word and song on Sunday evening July 12, 2020 at the Maple Dale Park across from Salem-Zion Church Pillow. Concert begins at 7:00pm. There will be Hamburgers and Hot Dogs grill'n and ready to eat at 6:00pm until Concert. Bring your lawn chairs or chairs-in-a-bag or blanket. LOVE OFFERING WILL BE COLLECTED TO SUPPORT THE MINISTRY OF "Chapter VII Gospel Quartet."

Those who are in care facilities and home bound: Arlene Deppen, PO Box 166, South Pine Street, Pillow, Pa, 17080, Polly Martz, 706 Game Farm Road, Dalmatia, PA 17017, Anna Marie Ernest, Polk Assisted Living, Room #309, 301 North St, Millersburg, Pa, 17061. Nancy Straub, 146 Martz Road, Dalmatia, PA 17017, John Shaffer, 2614 Mountain Road, Dalmatia, PA 17017