SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE July 26, 2025 ZION LUTHERAN, TAMAQUA, PA

Note: Pastor White will ask for prayer requests at the start of this evening's service. Worshipers are also invited to add their own prayers during Prayers of the People. We will also be using our cell phones for the Sharing of the Peace. You may wish to select someone ahead of time to send your message of peace and love.

Joyful Noise: This month we are collecting two weekends for the ELCA Disaster Relief Fund which is currently aiding Texas flooding victim. Please be generous.

GATHERING

Songs: "Our Father" – Don Moen "Have Your Way" – Don Moen

Gathering Words

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Ask,

for God is listening

Seek.

for God will find us.

Prav.

for God is with us.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us pray together: Lord of Hope and Peace, we have come this day asking for your mercy. Grant us your pardon. We have come this day seeking peace in our lives; grant us peace. Teach us how to be compassionate disciples for you. For we ask this in Christ's name. AMEN.

Greetings

Sharing of Peace

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May the Peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Sharing by text

We invite you to take out your cell phone now and send a text message of joy and love to someone who isn't in worship this evening.

Godsightings

Where have you seen God at work in your life?

THE WORD (Luke 11:1-13)

Gospel reading

Holy God, may we taste and see the good things you are doing in our lives.

May the words we hear inspire us to be your faithful followers. Amen.

A reading from Luke: **11** One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples."

² He said to them, "When you pray, say:

"Father,[a] hallowed be your name, your kingdom come.[b]

³ Give us each day our daily bread.

⁴ Forgive us our sins,

for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. $[\underline{c}]$

And lead us not into temptation.[d]"

⁵ Then Jesus said to them, "Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶ a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him.' ⁷ And suppose the one inside answers, 'Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can't get up and give you anything.' ⁸ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity^[9] he will surely get up and give you as much as you need.

⁹ "So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

¹¹ "Which of you fathers, if your son asks for [I] a fish, will give him a snake instead? ¹² Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

The Gospel of Our Lord **Praise to you, O Christ!**

This evening's message – Pastor Cindy White

Praise & Prayer

The Offering Moment "Doxology"

Let us pray together: God of love and justice, our hearts are filled with gratitude for all that you have given us. As we share these gifts with you, bless them and our ministries, that they may bring love and justice to your world. Amen.

Any responses to tonight's text greetings?

Prayers of the People

Lord in your mercy ... **Hear our prayer**

The Lord's Prayer – Spoken

The sending

Announcements

Benediction

And all God's people say **Thanks be to God.**

Sending song: "When It's All Been Said and Done" – Robin Mark

Thank you for worshiping with us this evening.