



ZION CHURCH

TRANSFORMED BY GRACE
POURED OUT FOR OTHERS

21 July 2024
Eighth Sunday after Trinity

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Acts 18:1-3

WELCOME!

We're glad you're here! If you are a newcomer, visitor, or guest:

- ◆ Please take a **Zion coffee mug** from the welcome table in the foyer!
- ◆ **Nursery** is provided for children up to age 3 during Sunday school and both morning services.
- ◆ **Sunday School** classes for children, youth, and adults are on summer break in July and August, and will resume in September.
- ◆ **Children's Church** is also available for children ages 3-5. The children gather just before the sermon and return during the final hymn.
- ◆ **Busy Bags** for young children are hanging on racks at the back of the worship hall.
- ◆ Please explore the rest of your worship folder for opportunities to **connect** and **serve** at Zion. **We're glad you're here!**

WORSHIP AT ZION

The Zion worship service has a structure and sequence that reflects the way scripture shows how God meets his people. God has made himself known to the world in Jesus Christ, who is God the Son, who took on human flesh, bled and died for our sins, rose from the dead, ascended to the Father's right hand, intercedes for us now, and will come again to receive us at the end. The church assembles on the Lord's day to name the name of Jesus, which is above every name.

- We enter his courts with thanksgiving and praise.
- We kneel before him in confession and repentance.
- We stand and hear again the Gospel's promise of mercy and forgiveness.
- We bring our tribute offerings to our King.
- We hear the voice of God from scripture.
- We eat at the table Jesus has provided for us.
- We depart with his blessing and promise that He will be with us until he comes for us again.

THE MISSION OF ZION CHURCH

By God's grace Zion Church will be a Christ-centered ministry committed to worship God by proclaiming the truth of Scripture and relating to one another on the basis of the transforming power of the Gospel.

As God's people living in community, we will equip one another to pour out our lives for Christ at home, in the city, on the campus, across the Midwest, and to the ends of the earth. This vision rests upon the supernatural work of Christ who alone can build His church through the Spirit's work in our lives together.

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

Prelude

Gathering Song — *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (Trinity Hymnal 38)*

Welcome and Announcements

ENTRANCE TO WORSHIP

† **Call to Worship** Psalm 107:1-3

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!
Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble and
gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and
from the south.

WORSHIP THROUGH CONFESSION AND PRAISE

† **Come Into His Presence With Singing**

Hail the Day That Christ Arose

His Love Can Never Fail

I Come By The Blood

Prayer of Praise and the 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver
us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Preparation for Confession *Jeremiah 14:7, 20-21*

Although our sins testify against us, O LORD, do something for the sake of your name. For our backsliding is great; we have sinned against you.

Silent Confession of Sin

† Declaration of Grace *Luke 18:14*

"I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

† Song of Gratitude

Not All The Blood of Beasts (Trinity Hymnal 242) Stanzas 1, 2, 4, 5

Giving Moment

Gloria Patri

Children ages 3-5 may be dismissed for Children's Church.

Children are always welcome in the main worship hall.

We also stream the service in the Hearth Room at the north end of the front hallway.

WORSHIP THROUGH WORD AND SACRAMENT

Preaching of the Word

Series: The Church On Mission

Title: "Tentmaking in Corinth"

Text: Acts 18:1-23 (*pew Bible p. 927*)

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

*The communion trays have wine in the outside ring of wine-colored cups
and a juice option in the inner ring of clear cups.*

*All baptized Christians who are members in good standing with their home congregation
are welcome to join us at the Lord's table today.*

† Hymn of Celebration

Shout for the Blessed Jesus Reigns (Trinity Hymnal 369) Stanzas 1, 4, 5

† Benediction

Organ Postlude

The Book of Acts: The Church On Mission
“Tentmaking in Corinth”
Acts 18:1-23 (*pew Bible p. 927*)
Sermon Notes: 21 July 2024

1. *Ministry* in Corinth

2. *Opposition* in Corinth

3. *Comfort* in Corinth

Questions for Further Discussion:

- ◆ What has the term ‘tentmaking’ come to mean in modern church life?
- ◆ What in Corinth is a bit different from what we have seen so far in Acts? What seems to be part of the repeated pattern of ministry in today’s passage?
- ◆ From today’s passage what can we learn about the relationship between the local Jewish leaders and the Roman authorities?
- ◆ Compare Acts 18:6 with Acts 13:51 and Matthew 10:14. How are they similar? What is the purpose of this action?

Acts 18:1-23

After this Paul left Athens and went to Corinth. 2 And he found a Jew named Aquila, a native of Pontus, recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla, because Claudius had commanded all the Jews to leave Rome. And he went to see them, 3 and because he was of the same trade he stayed with them and worked, for they were tentmakers by trade. 4 And he reasoned in the synagogue every Sabbath, and tried to persuade Jews and Greeks.

5 When Silas and Timothy arrived from Macedonia, Paul was occupied with the word, testifying to the Jews that the Christ was Jesus. 6 And when they opposed and reviled him, he shook out his garments and said to them, "Your blood be on your own heads! I am innocent. From now on I will go to the Gentiles." 7 And he left there and went to the house of a man named Titius Justus, a worshiper of God. His house was next door to the synagogue. 8 Crispus, the ruler of the synagogue, believed in the Lord, together with his entire household. And many of the Corinthians hearing Paul believed and were baptized. 9 And the Lord said to Paul one night in a vision, "Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent, 10 for I am with you, and no one will attack you to harm you, for I have many in this city who are my people." 11 And he stayed a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.

12 But when Gallio was proconsul of Achaia, the Jews made a united attack on Paul and brought him before the tribunal, 13 saying, "This man is persuading people to worship God contrary to the law." 14 But when Paul was about to open his mouth, Gallio said to the Jews, "If it were a matter of wrongdoing or vicious crime, O Jews, I would have reason to accept your complaint. 15 But since it is a matter of questions about words and names and your own law, see to it yourselves. I refuse to be a judge of these things." 16 And he drove them from the tribunal. 17 And they all seized Sosthenes, the ruler of the synagogue, and beat him in front of the tribunal. But Gallio paid no attention to any of this.

18 After this, Paul stayed many days longer and then took leave of the brothers and set sail for Syria, and with him Priscilla and Aquila. At Cenchreae he had cut his hair, for he was under a vow. 19 And they came to Ephesus, and he left them there, but he himself went into the synagogue and reasoned with the Jews. 20 When they asked him to stay for a longer period, he declined. 21 But on taking leave of them he said, "I will return to you if God wills," and he set sail from Ephesus.

22 When he had landed at Caesarea, he went up and greeted the church, and then went down to Antioch. 23 After spending some time there, he departed and went from one place to the next through the region of Galatia and Phrygia, strengthening all the disciples.

Weekly Ways to Connect: zionpca.com/groups

Sundays, 8:15am: **Prayer in Library**

Sundays, 10:30am: **Education Hour** (*Now on summer break: resumes in September*)

Wednesdays, 7:00pm: **Youth Group**

Thursdays, 6:30am: **Men's Bible Study** (Luke)

Saturdays, 8:15am: **Foodnet Distribution**

Upcoming Events: zionpca.com/calendar

College and Career Summer Bible Study

Wednesdays in June and July, the College and Career group meets at 6:30 p.m. for dinner (main dish provided), followed by Bible study and prayer. Bring a friend and a side or dessert to share! Text Kayla Brauning to let her know you are interested: 402-780-1432.

Ladies Summer Connection: Thursday

Ladies of Zion: Please join us for our final Summer Connections evening this Thursday, July 25. It's an opportunity to foster and strengthen friendships with women in the Zion community: 7pm at the Mann's home, 1230 Smoky Hill Road.

David Chambers Candidating Visit Next Sunday

The Zion Session is pleased to announce that they have asked Pastor David Chambers to officially candidate for the position of Assistant Pastor at Zion. David will be here to preach and officially interview next Sunday, July 28. (A shorter visit this time: no wife and kids.) Please be in prayer for this process. If you have any questions feel free to contact the Session (session@zionpca.com) or the chair of the search committee Scott Nelson.

Missions Team to Reynosa, Mexico: Leaving Friday!

Pray for Jill Greff and our missions team for their week in Reynosa. They will spend a week serving at the Isaiah 55 ministry and at the Xoca's church plant. Our VBS kids this year raised over \$1000 to help with this trip.

Unity Service- August 4

Sunday August 4th at 10 a.m. we will have our annual Unity Service with Grace Chapel and Redeemer churches at the College View Church. There will be no services at Zion that Sunday.

Sunday Mornings: zionpca.com/visit

Summer Schedule:

9:00: Corporate Public Worship in the Worship Hall.

Streaming to zionpca.com/livestream & Facebook (@zionpca)

10:30: Education Hour for all ages is on Summer break during July and August.

Classes will resume in September.

Nursery: zionpca.com/nursery

Nursery care is available during the worship service and the Education Hour. If you have any questions or would like to serve, please contact our nursery director **Kelsey Nyenhuis** at nursery@zionpca.com.

How to Give at Zion: zionpca.com/give

God provides all we have, and Christians return a portion of that in thanksgiving. You can put cash and checks in the **black box on the foyer table**. To give online, use this QR code, go to zionpca.com/give, or Venmo @Zion-Church-2.

Year-to-date General Fund Giving: \$429K

Year-to-date General Fund Expenses: \$381K



Get to know our Zion-supported missionaries!

Tim and Kristy Holliday serve with Mission to the World and Isaiah 55 Ministries in Reynosa at the U.S./Mexico border through evangelism, church planting, and community development ministries. Tim's skills in computers and technology serve the administrative side as well as vocational ministry among deaf students. Kristy teaches English as a Second Language in the community.



Introducing Nicole Houfek: Children's Ministry Director

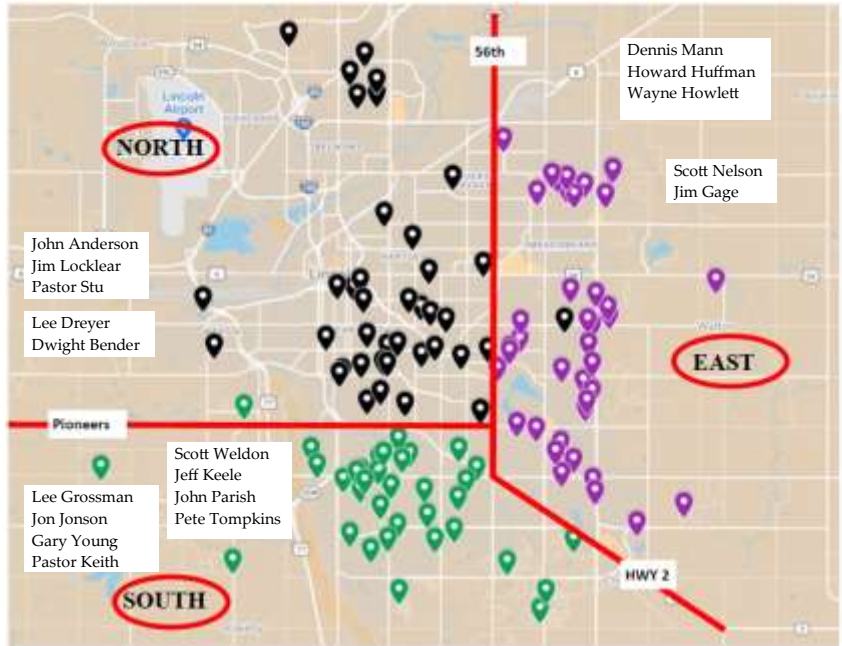
We are happy to welcome Nicole Houfek as our new Children's Ministry Director. Nicole was director of our VBS this year and has shown excellent abilities in organization and programming for Zion's kids. She will start now planning for the Fall launch of Sunday School and Wednesday Kids Connection. Watch for her news and notices, and think about ways you can say YES when she needs volunteers.



Where Are You?

For service, small groups, and social events, we have three Adult Fellowships based on your location in Lincoln:

- **North:** North of Pioneers Boulevard, and west of 56th Street
- **South:** South of Pioneers Boulevard, and south of Highway 2
- **East:** East of 56th Street and north of Highway 2

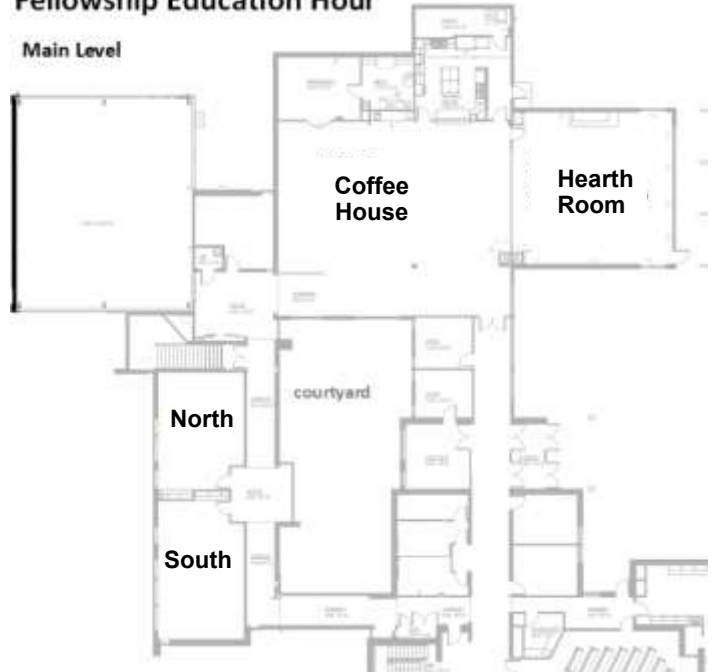


Adult classes
On summer break
will return in September

- ◆ **Hearth Room:** ---
- ◆ **North Classroom:** ---
- ◆ **South Classroom:** ---

Fellowship Education Hour

Main Level





Bowl of Cherries, Still Life, Giovanna Garzoni, 1642

“The LORD is good to all, and His mercy is over all that He has made.”
Psalm 145:9

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen. 1 Tim. 1:17

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing and si - lent as light,
 3. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 all praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

Hail the Day

Hail the day that Christ a-rose, through the skies to worlds un-
 See Him lift His hands a-bove, see the scars of His great
 Though He dwells be-yond the stars, His re-deemed are on His

known. Glo-rious there, He ev-er reigns, ob-ject of all hea-ven's
 love. He has con- quered death and sin, sav- ing all who hope in
 heart. Ev- en now He in- ter- cedes; Je- sus cares for all our

praise. Ha- le - lu - jah, ha - le - lu - jah! the King of Love is on His throne! Ha- le -
 Him. needs.

lu - jah, ha - le - lu - jah! His grace will lead us safe-ly home! Ha - le - lu - jah,

We are re - deemed! Ha - le - lu - jah, Je - sus is king!

Chords: D, Dsus, D, D, A/D, D, Dsus, D, D, A/D, D, G, D, A, D, Bm7, G, D, A, Bm7, G, D, A

Coda: Bm7, G

His Love Can Never Fail

voice

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of seven staves of music. The first staff is the vocal line, starting with a whole rest followed by a half note G4, then quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. The second staff continues with quarter notes D5, E5, and F#5, followed by a half note G5. The third staff has quarter notes A5, B5, and C6, followed by a half note D6. The fourth staff has quarter notes E6, F#6, and G6, followed by a half note A6. The fifth staff has quarter notes B6, C7, and D7, followed by a half note E7. The sixth staff has quarter notes F#7, G7, and A7, followed by a half note B7. The seventh staff has quarter notes C8, D8, and E8, followed by a half note F#8. The lyrics are: 'I do not ask to see the way my feet will have to tread, But on - ly that my soul may feed up - on the liv - ing Bread. 'Tis bet - ter far that I should walk by faith close to His side; I may not know the way I go, but oh, I know my guide. His love can ne - ver fail, his love can ne - ver fail. My soul is sa - tis - fied to know his love can ne - ver fail. My soul is sa - tis - fied to know his love can ne - ver fail.'

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My soul is sa - tis - fied to know his love can ne - ver fail. My soul is

sa - tis - fied to know his love can ne - ver fail.

And if my feet would go astray, they cannot, for I know
That Jesus guides my falt'ring steps, as joyfully I go.
And though I may not see His face, my faith is strong and clear
That in each hour of sore distress my Savior will be near.

Chorus

I will not fear, though darkness come abroad o'er all the land
If I may only fear the touch of His own loving hand,
And though I tremble when I think how weak I am, and frail,
My soul is satisfied to know His love can never fail.

Chorus

I Come By the Blood

voice

The musical score is written in G major and 8/8 time. It consists of seven staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. Chord symbols are placed above the notes. The lyrics are: "You are the ho - ly and right - eous God, the One the an - gels fear. How can I stand in your pres - ence, Lord? How can I draw near to the One the an - gels fear? Through Him who's giv - en His life for me, the a - ton - ing Lamb of God, Through Him, and through Him a - lone, I bold - ly come. I come by the blood, I come by the cross where your mer - cy flows from hands pierced for me, for I dare not stand on my right - eous - ness, my on - ly hope rests on what Christ has done, and I come by the blood."

G A G A F C G A
You are the ho - ly and right - eous God, the One the an - gels fear.

5 G A G A F C G F C
How can I stand in your pres - ence, Lord? How can I draw near to the One the an - gels

10 D Em C D
fear? Through Him who's giv - en His life for me, the a - ton - ing Lamb of

15 A Em C F
God, Through Him, and through Him a - lone, I bold - ly come.

19 D C G Am G
I come by the blood, I come by the cross where your mer - cy flows from hands pierced for

23 D C G Am G
me, for I dare not stand on my right - eous - ness, my on - ly hope rests on what Christ has

27 D G
done, and I come by the blood.

Not All the Blood of Beasts


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It is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins. Heb. 10:4

1. Not all the blood of beasts on Jew - ish al - tars slain,
2. But Christ, the heav'n - ly Lamb, takes all our sins a - way,
4. My soul looks back to see the bur - dens thou didst bear,
5. Be - liev - ing, we re - joice to see the curse re - move;

could give the guilt - y con - science peace, or wash a - way the stain:
a sac - ri - fice of no - bler name and rich - er blood than they.
when hang - ing on the curs - ed tree, and knows her guilt was there.
we bless the Lamb with cheer - ful voice, and sing his bleed - ing love.

Gloria Patri



The image shows a musical score for the Gloria Patri. It consists of two staves of music in a single system. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is written on a treble clef staff. The lyrics are printed below the notes. The first staff contains the lyrics: "Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the be-". The second staff contains the lyrics: "gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A - men, a - men." The music ends with a double bar line.

Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the be-
gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A - men, a - men.

Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns

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*They will bring all your brothers, from all the nations, to my holy mountain
in Jerusalem. Is. 66:20*

1. Shout, for the bless - ed Je - sus reigns; through dis - tant

4. O may his ho - ly church in - crease, his Word and
5. Loud hal - le - lu - jahs to the Lamb, from all be -

lands his tri - umphs spread; and sin - ners, freed from

Spir - it still pre - vail, while an - gels cel - e -
low, and all a - bove! In loft - y songs ex -

end - less pains, own him their Sav - ior and their Head.

brate his praise, and saints his grow - ing glo - ries hail.
alt his name, in songs as last - ing as his love.

COMMITTED TO GOD'S TRUTH

We believe in a holy God who exists eternally in three persons – the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

We believe the Bible is the written word of God, and we hold to it as our authority in all matters of faith and life.

We believe all people are sinners, justly deserving God's displeasure, and incapable of saving themselves.

We believe that Jesus Christ – God the Son who became man – lived a sinless life, died on the cross and rose again to accomplish our salvation. We receive this gracious gift through faith alone.

We believe the Holy Spirit gives Christians the daily strength and wisdom they need to walk according to His will and grow in holiness.

We believe that Jesus Christ will return to judge all mankind and to receive His people unto Himself.

For more explanation and resources go to zionpca.com/beliefs

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