

**17th SUNDAY after PENTECOST**  
**LWML Sunday – Pursuing Godly Living**  
**October 2, 2022**  
**10:30 am**

Zion Lutheran Church  
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Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57105

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**AS WE GATHER**

We remember and celebrate the LWML today. Our Bible Reading of the Day is 2 Peter 1:2-11. The apostle Peter wrote his first epistle about the joy available to Christ followers even in the context of trials and persecution. He sent his second epistle to give believers instructions on how to live out their Christian identity. Here Peter described how God works powerfully in His people, so much so that He chooses not only to save but also equip Christians to live godly lives that glorify Him. We will see how being a Christian requires that we not only “talk the talk” but also “walk the walk” of our faith. As we talk and walk, we confirm God’s grace at work within us and His calling on our lives manifested through us. Because Christ’s righteousness has been credited to us, we strive to live in heartfelt obedience to God in order to demonstrate to those around us the reality of our changed lives in Christ.

**OPENING SONG:** “Start A Fire” Unspoken

**Verse 1**

This world can be cold and bitter Feels like we're in the dead of winter  
Waiting on something better But am I really gonna hide forever?  
Over and over again I hear Your voice in my head  
Let Your light shine, let Your light shine for all to see

**Chorus**

Start a fire in my soul Fan the flame and make it grow  
So there's no doubt or denying Let it burn so brightly  
That everyone around can see  
That it's You, that it's You that we need to start a fire in me

**Verse 2**

You only need a spark to start a whole blaze It only takes a little faith  
Let it start right here in this city So these old walls will never be the same  
Over and over again I hear Your voice in my head  
They need to know I need to go  
Spirit won't you fall on my heart now

**Chorus**

Start a fire in my soul Fan the flame and make it grow  
So there's no doubt or denying Let it burn so brightly  
That everyone around can see  
That it's You, that it's You that we need to start a fire in me

You are the fire You are the flame You are the light on the darkest day  
We have the hope, we bear Your name

We carry the news that You have come to save Only You can save

**Chorus**

Start a fire in my soul Fan the flame and make it grow  
So there's no doubt or denying Let it burn so brightly  
That everyone around can see  
That it's You, that it's You that we need to start a fire in me

You are the fire You are the flame You are the light on the darkest day  
Yeah, start a fire in me

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MINUTE FOR MINISTRY:** Chez Shoup

**INVOCATION**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Friends in Christ: Let us draw near to God our Father with a true heart to confess our sins, and ask him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

**People: He made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: I said, I will confess my sins to the Lord.

**People: Then He forgave the guilt of my sin.**

Pastor: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we confess to You that by nature we are sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy and plead for Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**People: Most merciful God, You have given Your only Son to die for us. Have mercy on us, and for His sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins. By Your Holy Spirit increase our knowledge of You and Your will, and make us obedient to Your word, so that by Your grace we may come to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us, and has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He has given the right to become children of God and has given them His Holy Spirit. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved. Grant this, Lord, to us all.

**People: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**PRAISE SONG:** “Build My Life” Younker | Martin | Kaple | Redman | Barrett

### Verse 1

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring  
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe We live for You We live for You

### Verse 2

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name Jesus the only one who could ever save  
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe We live for You We live for You

### Chorus

Holy there is no one like You There is none beside You  
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are  
And fill me with Your heart And lead me in Your love to those around me

### Verse 2

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name Jesus the only one who could ever save  
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe We live for You We live for You

### Chorus

Holy there is no one like You There is none beside You  
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are  
And fill me with Your heart And lead me in Your love to those around me

### Bridge

I will build my life upon Your love It is a firm foundation  
I will put my trust in You alone And I will not be shaken  
**(Repeat Bridge)**

### Chorus

Holy there is no one like You There is none beside You  
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are  
And fill me with Your heart And lead me in Your love to those around me

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**(Repeat Bridge)**

## TIME IN THE WORD

**Children's Bible Reading:** Page 270

**Reading of the Day:** 2 Peter 1:2-11

Grace and peace be yours in abundance through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But whoever does not have them is nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, make every effort to confirm your calling and election. For if you do these things, you will never stumble, and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Here ends the Reading.

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

### **MESSAGE**

### **APOSTLES' CREED**

**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 everlasting. Amen.**

### **OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT and TREASURE BOX**

### **OFFERING SONG:** “Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

Jonny Robinson | Michael Farren | Rich Thompson

#### **Verse 1**

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer  
There is no more for heaven now to give  
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom  
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to His  
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

#### **Verse 2**

The night is dark but I am not forsaken  
For by my side the Savior He will stay  
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need His power is displayed

To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley He will lead  
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

#### **Verse 3**

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven  
The future sure the price it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold my sin has been defeated  
Jesus now and ever is my plea  
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

#### **Verse 4**

With every breath I long to follow Jesus  
For He has said that he will bring me home  
And day by day I know He will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold my hope is only Jesus  
All the glory evermore to Him  
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat  
Yet not I but through Christ in me  
(Repeat)

**Ending**

When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat  
Yet not I but through Christ in me Yet not I but through Christ in me

Song # 7121852

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**DEDICATION | PRAYER for BRIGHTER TRANSITIONS**

**LWML PLEDGE**

Pastor: Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever (Hebrews 13:8).

**People: In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have;**

Pastor: God has entrusted to His people the task of teaching all nations. We thank Him for the many years He has blessed the work of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League.

**People: and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us.**

Pastor: That the joyous truth of the Gospel may be known in every generation;

**People: We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life,**

Pastor: We are mindful of the shortness of time and uncertainties of life. Preserve our faithfulness and strengthen us for service in our communities and throughout the world.

**People: to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen!**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**All: 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.**

**BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING PRAISE SONG:** "Build Your Kingdom Here" Rend Collective

**Verse 1**

Come set Your rule and reign in our hearts again.  
Increase in us we pray. Unveil why we're made.  
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope like wildfire in our very souls.  
Holy Spirit, come invade us now.

**Verse 2**

We are Your church. We need Your power in us.  
We seek Your kingdom first. We hunger and we thirst.  
Refuse to waste our lives for You're our joy and prize.  
To see the captive hearts released. The hurt, the sick, the poor at peace.  
We lay down our lives for Heaven's cause.

**Chorus**

We are Your church. We pray revive this earth.  
Build Your kingdom here! Let the darkness fear.  
Show Your mighty hand. Heal our streets and land.  
Set Your church on fire! Win this nation back.  
Change the atmosphere. Build Your kingdom here. We pray!

**Verse 3**

Unleash Your kingdom's power reaching the near and far.  
No force of Hell can stop Your beauty changing hearts.  
You made us for much more than this! Awake the kingdom seed in us!  
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ.

We are Your church. We are the hope on earth.

**Chorus**

Build Your kingdom here! Let the darkness fear.  
Show Your mighty hand. Heal our streets and land.  
Set Your church on fire! Win this nation back.  
Change the atmosphere. Build Your kingdom here. We pray!

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**SEND OFF**

Leader: At Zion we are committed to reaching out, strengthening the saved,

**All: and serving Jesus Christ by serving others!**