

LORD'S PRAYER [TRADITIONAL]

BLESSING

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ☩ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING

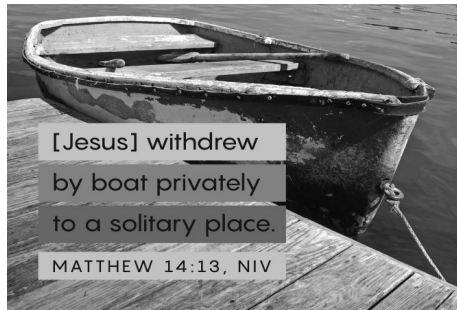
BENEDICTION

HYMN #658 — *O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts*

DISMISSAL

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE — Jill Sousek



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

1254 S. Union Street, Shawano, WI 54166

715.526.2017 • zion@shawanozion.org • www.shawanozion.org

A member congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



©2026 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #SAS015039. Readings are from Readings for the Assembly ©1995, 1996, 1997 Augsburg Fortress. Citations from Revised Common Lectionary ©1992 Consultation on Common Texts. Scripture quotations from NRSV Bible ©1989 National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America, adapted and edited with permission by Gordon Lathrop and Gail Ramshaw. May be reproduced with a SundaysandSeasons.com subscription for non-sale local use by worship leaders. Revised Common Lectionary, ©1992 Consultation on Common Texts, admin Augsburg Fortress. Used by permission. CCLI License #1006583. CCLI Streaming Acct. 2456486. Clipart and stock photos used by permission of Communication Resources, Inc. ©2026 ChurchArt Online. Clipart is used with permission from sermoncentral.com. ©2026 by Outreach Inc., Colorado Springs, CO 80919. Loaves and fishes stained glass. County Galway, Ireland. Photo by craft images. ©2025 Alamy Stock Photo. Used by permission.

10th Sunday after Pentecost

AUGUST 2, 2026



WELCOME TO ZION

PRELUDE — Jill Sousek

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

The sign of the cross ☩ may be made in remembrance of Baptism.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose compassion endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Compassionate God,
we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy, and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love. **Amen.**

HYMN #843 — *Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness*

GREETING

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

W O R D

FIRST READING — *Isaiah 55:1-5*

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for the LORD has glorified you.

SECOND READING — *Romans 9:1-5*

I am speaking the truth in Christ — I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit — I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL — *Matthew 14:13-21*

Now when Jesus heard about the beheading of John the Baptist, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to Jesus and said, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” Jesus said to them, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.” And he said, “Bring them here to me.” Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, Jesus looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

THE SERMON — Pastor Scott Ludford

HYMN #515 — *Break Now the Bread of Life*

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

... In the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE OFFERING

C O M M U N I O N

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION