

**HOUSE OF BLESSING:** To help the House of Blessing with their significant increase in the number of people using their services since this time last year, as you are able, if you could bring **hygiene items or meals in a can for the homeless (ie chilli or stew, etc.) or cookies and crackers** for the House of Blessing Food Bank and place it in the basket at the entrance of the church. Thank you for sharing your blessings with those in need.

**CHAIR YOGA UPDATE:** “*Chair Yoga*” is still going strong as it finishes its eighteenth week here at Zion. Chair Yoga is open to members and non-members of Zion; so, please spread the word. There is always room for newcomers. FYI: the benefits of “chair yoga” include: increased flexibility, improved strength, improved proprioception, reduce stress and pain, improve pain management skills and sleep better. If you want to join in on the fun on **Tuesday mornings from 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.**, please call Jane in the office at 519-271-8527.

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**THIS WEEK WE PRAY:**

>for our members and friends with special needs: Phyllis, Steve, Verlie, Violet, Brian, Anne, Sharon, Bruce, Susan, Nya, Jane, Linda, Brian, Jim, Mary Margaret, Lynnette, Al, Glenn, Brock, Beryl, Cathy, John, Katana, Brian, David and Kolby;  
>for those who have no one to pray for them.

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**SERVING SUNDAY, AUGUST 28<sup>th</sup> AS WE WORSHIP**

**Greeters:** Volunteers Needed

**Reader:** Wendy Hansen

**Usher Captain:** Brian Coe Team

**Counter:** Janet Chandler Team



# 11th Sunday After Pentecost

**August 21, 2022**

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Minister of Music

Organist

Pianist

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**GATHERING HYMN 533: “Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”**

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Prayer of the Day:

**O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.**

**Amen.**

## WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 58:9b-14

Psalms: 103

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-29

Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

Sermon

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## **HYMN 796: “How Firm a Foundation”**

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Zion Lutheran Church **welcomes our visitors and guests.** We are pleased that you have come to join us in the worship of our God of grace and love. May you be strengthened and uplifted in our time together. Plan to be with us, again, at your earliest opportunity.

All people of faith and those who seek faith are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. This morning, we will be distributing the Lord’s Supper in a continuous fashion. Trays holding individual cups of wine are on stands at either side of Pastor Jeff for those wishing to receive wine. The ushers will invite the congregation to come forward down the centre aisle.

**Please note that masks are “no longer required”; but, continuing to wear a mask is recommended. Our ropes for “limited” capacity have come down; but, we do encourage “social distancing” wherever possible. “Pre-registration” for worship is no longer required.**

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**A WARM WELCOME:** To Pastor Timothy Elliott who is leading us in worship this morning in Pastor Jeff’s absence. Thank you Pastor Timothy for joining us!

**THE BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS** in the Sanctuary today are placed in loving memory of *Annemarie Hausleitner* to commemorate the 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of her passing, +August 22, 2017. Forever loved and deeply missed by the Hausleitner Family.

**THE BULLETIN TODAY** is sponsored by Paul and Shirley Whittaker in celebration of their 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**FUNERAL SERVICE:** A Funeral Service will be held for *Gerhard Wiedmann* here at Zion Lutheran Church on **Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 A.M.** As a lunch is to follow, you are asked to “pre-register” by calling Jane in the office at 519-271-8527.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Congregation Life will be hosting an *outdoor Sunday Service on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 A.M. at the Upper Queen’s Park Bandshell.* This will be a brown bag (bring your own) lunch. Bottled water will be provided. Please bring your lawn chair as seating will be limited. More information to follow.

**CAN YOU HELP??** Gerald Cook anticipates resuming his outdoor volunteer duties of grounds keeping. Until Gerald regains his strength, any help you can offer with trimming, weeding, yard cleanup, etc. would be *greatly* appreciated and will allow Gerald to fully recover. Thank you!!

**CHURCH PARKING LOT CHANGE:** Please note that the parking lines were painted July 5<sup>th</sup> which have redirected traffic flow. The “IN” driveway will now be off of Erie Street and the “OUT” driveway now exits onto St. David Street. This will allow people to exit the mobility bus and other vehicles on the side closest to the building and to add access parking spots in the south parking lot.

**PORTABLE MATTRESSES:** Our Prayer Shawl Ladies have been asked to assist in making “*portable mattresses for the homeless*”. These portable mattresses are crocheted from the outer bag when you purchase three quarts of milk. It takes between 500 & 700 bags to make 1 mattress. The bags are sliced, then tied and crocheted together. These mattresses used by the homeless provide a cushion between the ground and the person using them while being waterproof and repelling dust mites, bed bugs and lice.

We are asking you to please save the outer bag when you buy bagged milk and donate them to our Prayer Shawl Ladies. Bags can be dropped off in the red tote under the table at the back of the church or you can drop them

off at the office during office hours: Mondays from 8:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. or Tuesdays to Fridays from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Thank you for your support in this worthwhile cause.

**CHOIR UPDATE FROM PAUL SHILTON**

I believe that *finally* we can plan for the return of the choir in the fall. I am aiming, appropriately, for **Thanksgiving Sunday, October 9, as our target date to reintroduce the choir into our worship services.**

We will need a few rehearsals in September for the choir members to find their voices again after so long. These dates will be published in the bulletin and the September Newsletter.

**It is a joyous occasion!**

If anyone wishes to be involved in the choir, please contact me at [parkvilla36@gmail.com](mailto:parkvilla36@gmail.com) or Jane in the office by phone (519-271-8527) or email ([zionlc@golden.net](mailto:zionlc@golden.net))

We have been asked by Christy Bannerman, Public Education Coordinator at the Alzheimer Society Huron Perth, to assist with public awareness of the following topics presented in their “Education Hour” program.

**ALZHEIMER SOCIETY HURON/PERTH PRESENTS:**

**EDUCATION HOUR**

**Thursdays from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.**

**UPCOMING TOPICS**

**September 8**

8 A’s of Cognitive Impairment

**September 22**

Types of Dementia: The difference between Dementia and Alzheimer’s

Join their Public Education Coordinator over **lunch hour via Zoom** to learn more about various topics related to brain health & cognitive change.

**To register, please go to: [www.alzheimer.ca/perth](http://www.alzheimer.ca/perth)**

Call our office with any questions: 519-271-1910