

# We Are Family

"Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."  
Mark 3:35 (NIV)

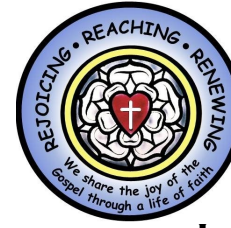
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FAMILY	SISTER	MOTHER	HOUSE
BROTHER	JESUS	DISCIPLES	CROWD



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*A house divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus makes this observation in light of charges that he is possessed. He is possessed, not by a demon, but by the Holy Spirit. We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are Jesus' family. With them we go forth in peace to do the will of God.*

✚ GATHERING ✚

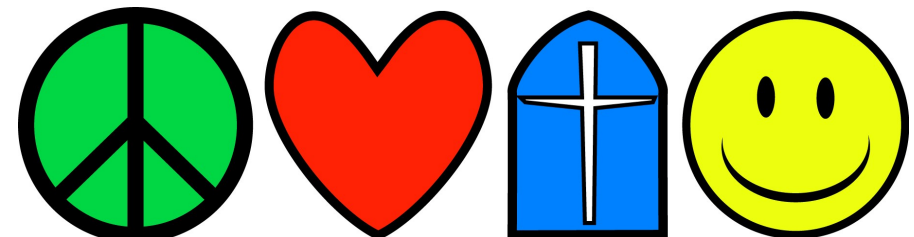
## Prelude

*(The prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for worship.)*

## Welcome

Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church in Albion! We offer a warm welcome to all who are worshipping in person or by way of Vyve Cable Channel 21 and Facebook Live. We hope that you encounter a word of God's grace and love in this worship service.

**Holy Communion** will be celebrated today. At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel. All who are baptized and believe in the real presence of Christ are welcome to share in the Lord's meal. Holy Communion will be distributed in person or by pre-packaged elements. If you are uncomfortable coming forward, please pick up the communion elements as you enter worship. We will partake of the sacrament as directed by the pastor within the worship service. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with an usher. Gluten Free wafers are available on request.





*The Third Sunday after Pentecost*

# Mark 3:20-35

## Confession & Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the ✚ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

“Turn to me and be saved,” says the Lord.

“For I am God and there is no other.”

**If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just,  
 will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Today, let us be aware of temptation,  
 and of our inability to overcome it by ourselves.

*(Silence for confession and self-examination.)*

Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.  
 Like our ancestors in Eden, we have disobeyed your will  
 and we have done what you have forbidden.  
 We have heeded the tempter’s voice.  
 For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.  
 Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,  
 so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,  
 to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

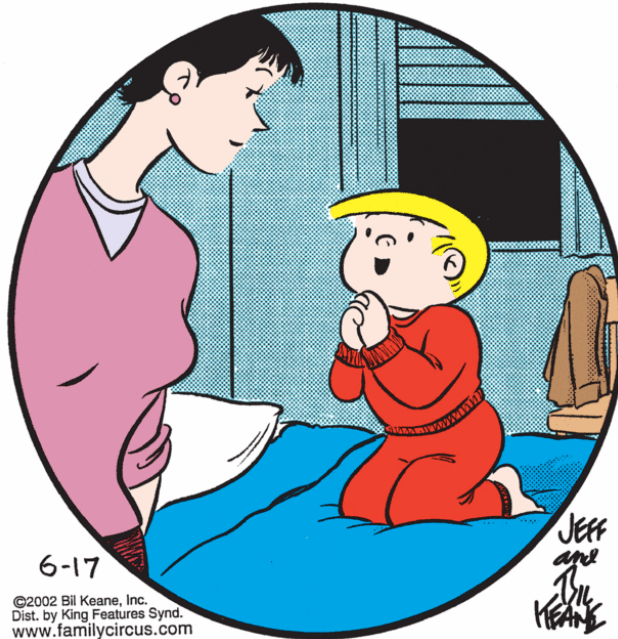
In his mercy, Almighty God promised a Savior  
 to overcome the tempter’s might.  
 Jesus Christ was given to die for us  
 and for his sake our sins are forgiven.  
 To those who believe in Jesus Christ,  
 God gives the power to become children of God  
 and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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 G K S X L L E U G N E N O B Z Y D M F K M I I H  
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forgiveness	blasphemies	Beelzebul	Jerusalem	possessed
standing	gathered	scribes	plunder	outside
seeking	brother	unclean	divided	sitting
kingdom	called	sister	demons	mother
prince	spirit	binds	house	stand
Satan	crowd	home		

## Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.



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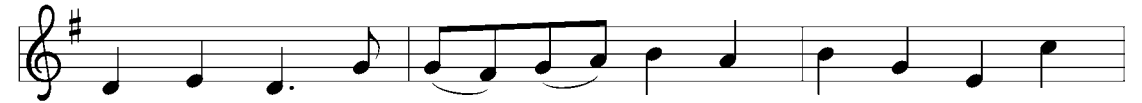
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## Gathering Song

## God of Grace and God of Glory

#705



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple  
2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -  
3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to  
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;  
sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us  
your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,  
we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion



bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age  
free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age  
rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.  
for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.  
lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.  
serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

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## Opening Litany

It is sin that divides God's people and tears them apart.  
**But we are united by God's love.**

It is Satan who causes discord among God's people.  
**But it is Jesus Christ who wants to bring harmony to all.**

It is sin that separates people from one another.  
**But it is God's love that joins all people together.**

It is Satan who seeks to destroy the lives of people.  
**But it is Jesus Christ who seeks to build people up.**

It is sin that drives people away from God.  
**But it is God's love that draws us closer to him.**

It is Satan who puts up barriers between people.  
**But it is Jesus Christ  
who breaks down the walls with his powerful love.**

It is sin that was put to death on the cross  
by Christ's suffering and death.  
**But it is God's love that will never end.**

It is Satan who was defeated on the cross.  
**But it is Jesus Christ who has won for us the victory.**

### Apostolic Greeting

The blessing of the Father of our Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the glorious love bestowed by the + Son,  
and the power of the promised Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

### Hymn of Praise

#### *Father, I Adore You*

W&P #37



1 Fa - ther,  
2 Je - sus, I a - dore you, lay my life be -  
3 Spir - it,



fore you; how I love you.

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### Benediction

May you go as God's people who are blessed to be a blessing.  
May you go in the name of Jesus to touch and heal the hurt around us.  
May you go with a strong presence of God's Holy Spirit  
to be light and love to all the world.  
May you go in the name of the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

### Sending Song

#### *On Our Way Rejoicing*

#537



1 On our way re - joic - ing glad - ly let us go.  
2 Un - to God the Fa - ther joy - ful songs we sing;



Christ our Lord has con - quered; van - quished is the foe.  
un - to God the Sav - ior thank - ful hearts we bring;



Christ with - out, our safe - ty; Christ with - in, our joy;  
un - to God the Spir - it bow we and a - dore,



who, if we be faith - ful, can our hope de - stroy?  
on our way re - joic - ing now and ev - er - more.

#### *Refrain*



On our way re - joic - ing; as we for - ward move,



hear - ken to our prais - es, O blest God of love!

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## Psalm 130

Let us read Psalm 130 responsively.

<sup>1</sup>Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord;

<sup>2</sup>**O Lord, hear my voice!**

**Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.**

<sup>3</sup>If you were to keep watch over sins, O Lord, who could stand?

<sup>4</sup>**Yet with you is forgiveness, in order that you may be feared.**

<sup>5</sup>I wait for you, O Lord; my soul waits; in your word is my hope.

<sup>6</sup>**My soul waits for the Lord**

**more than those who keep watch for the morning,  
more than those who keep watch for the morning.**

<sup>7</sup>O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is steadfast love;  
with the Lord there is plenteous redemption.

<sup>8</sup>**For the Lord shall redeem Israel from all their sins.**

## Second Reading

2 Corinthians 4:13 — 5:1

*Life in the present is transitory and cannot compare with the eternal home God has prepared for us. So we do not despair no matter what life might bring because we know that as God raised Jesus from the dead, God promises to bring us into eternal life.*

*A reading from Second Corinthians.*

<sup>13</sup>Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture — “I believed, and so I spoke” — we also believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup>because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence.

<sup>15</sup>Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup>because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

<sup>5:1</sup>For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. **The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace. Grant us peace.

## Distribution

If you are joining us from home or are taking communion from your seat:

*The body of Christ, given for you. Amen.*

*The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen.*

## Distribution Hymn

*When Peace Like a River*

#785

1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when  
2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let  
3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; my  
4 Lord, has - ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the

sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast  
this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my  
sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I  
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the

taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.  
help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.  
bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so it is well with my soul.

*Refrain*

It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Remembering his death, we cry out Amen. **Amen.**  
 Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen. **Amen.**  
 Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen. **Amen.**

O God, you are Breath: send your Spirit on this meal.  
 O God, you are Bread: feed us with yourself.  
 O God, you are wine: warm our hearts and make us one.  
 O God, you are Fire: transform us with hope.  
 O God most majestic, O God most motherly,  
 O God our strength and our song,  
 you show us a vision of a tree of life  
 with fruits for all and leaves that heal the nations.  
 Grant us such life,  
 the life of the Father to the Son,  
 the life of the Spirit of our risen Savior,  
 life in you, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray together as Jesus taught us...  
**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.**

**Agnus Dei**

**Lamb of God**

*Family of God*

Musical notation for the Agnus Dei. It consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the".

**Alleluia Verse**

*Family of God*

Musical notation for the Alleluia Verse. It consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! The Lord our God be blessed! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Your Word brings righ - teous-ness. With all your works, we praise you! Ex - alt your Name for - ev - er! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Sing al - le - lu - ia!"

**Holy Gospel**

Mark 3:20-35

*In response to charges that he is possessed, Jesus wonders aloud how anyone who is demon-possessed can cast out demons. Those who do the will of God are possessed by the Holy Spirit, siblings of Christ.*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord!**

[Jesus went home;]<sup>20</sup> and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat.<sup>21</sup> When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind."<sup>22</sup> And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons."<sup>23</sup> And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan?<sup>24</sup> If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.<sup>25</sup> And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand.<sup>26</sup> And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come.<sup>27</sup> But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

<sup>28</sup>"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter;<sup>29</sup> but whoever blasphemes against the Holy

Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin” — <sup>30</sup>for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

<sup>31</sup>Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” <sup>33</sup>And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

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

## Children’s Time

### Sermon

## Hymn of the Day

### *A Mighty Fortress*

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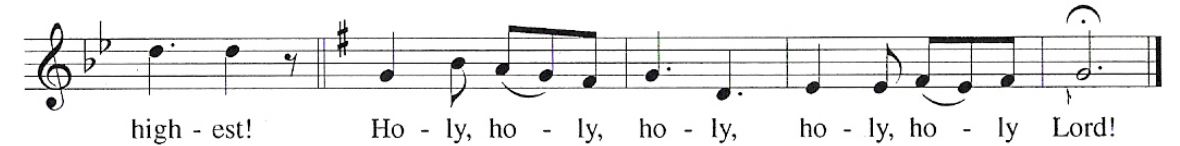
1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -  
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -  
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -  
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and  
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom  
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they  
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe  
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?  
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;  
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



## Eucharistic Prayer & Words of Institution

O God most mighty, O God most merciful,  
 O God our rock and our salvation,  
 hear us as we praise, call us to your table, grant us your life.  
 When the earth was a formless void,  
 you formed order and beauty.  
 When Abraham and Sarah were barren,  
 you sent them a child;  
 When the Israelites were enslaved,  
 you led them to freedom.  
 Ruth faced starvation, David fought Goliath,  
 and the psalmists cried out for healing,  
 and full of compassion, you granted the people your life.  
 You entered our sorrows in Jesus our brother.  
 He was born among the poor,  
 he lived under oppression,  
 he wept over the city.  
 With infinite love, he granted the people your life.  
 In the night in which he was betrayed,  
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
*Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.*  
*Do this for the remembrance of me.*  
 Again, after supper, he took the cup,  
 gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
*This cup is the new covenant in my blood,*  
*shed for you and for all people*  
*for the forgiveness of sin.*  
*Do this for the remembrance of me.*



✠ MEAL ✠

**Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God,  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**



**Proper Preface**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ;  
who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by  
his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.  
And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Sanctus**

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

*Family of God*

has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might  
The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,  
in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;  
goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,

he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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**Apostles' Creed**

Living together in trust and hope, let us confess our faith...  
**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## Prayers of the People

P We come before the triune God  
to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

*(A brief silence is kept.)*

A You reawaken our hearts to your mercy.  
We give you thanks for renewers of the church in every age.  
Enliven the creativity and persistence of all seeking to  
transform the church into a closer vision of your beloved community.  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

P Your presence is revealed in the shade of trees,  
the growth of seeds into flowers, and in the blessing of plants  
granting food in their right season.  
Heal lands scarred by deforestation, pollution, or infestation.  
Teach us to cultivate the earth with respect and reverence.  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

A Our nations and communities are divided, O God.  
Teach us again to listen with curiosity and mercy,  
even in disagreement. Grant us the humility  
to acknowledge our hardness of heart and make us bold  
in modeling cooperation for the sake of the common good.  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

P Hear the prayers of all who cry out to you  
from the depths of fear, despair, or hopelessness *especially...*  
With haste, rescue victims of trafficking, exploitation, and abuse,  
and bless organizations and individuals who work on their behalf.  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

A Grant wisdom and clarity to all who are in seasons  
of discernment and transition:  
high school graduates preparing for first jobs or  
new educational journeys, those who are shifting careers,  
and those who are navigating changes in their relationships.  
Accompany them with your peace.  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

P Here other intercessions may be offered either aloud or in silence.  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

A Praise to you for our ancestors in faith  
who believed, spoke, and lived in you.  
Give us confidence that as Jesus was raised, so we too will be raised,  
with all the saints, into your everlasting presence.  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

P Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid,  
through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

## Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

## ✠ OFFERING ✠

### Offering Response

### *Your Vineyards, O Lord*

*Family of God*

1. Your vine - yards, O Lord, may they  
(2.) gath - er the hopes and the  
bear fruit for you. Please fill our cup full of your  
dreams of all here; U - nite them in pray'r with these  
bless - ing, we pray. And gath - er a har - vest from  
of - f'rings we bring. Pre - side at our ta - ble, and  
what you have sown, That we may be fed with the  
grant us, we pray, A fore - taste of your prom - ised  
bread of life. 2. Now come. A - men.