



The Canaanite Woman Pleads for Mercy

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

The Sunday of Jesus Healing the Canaanite Woman's Daughter

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WELCOME to all who are worshiping with us. If you are a guest, please sign the guest book, including your home address and congregation. We welcome to our altar all those who share our confession of faith within the fellowship of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod.



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The offering plate is on the table in the narthex. Thank you for your continued contributions.

COLLECT OF THE DAY - O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

IN OUR PRAYERS, we remember Starr Barke, Kristin Bosteels, Vic Bosteels, Katie Jones, Rick Salz, Bill Simmons, Andy Volker, Cindy Volker, and Ken Welch.

THIS WEEK AT ZION AND ST. PAUL'S:

TODAY (SATURDAY)	Zion Sunday School	3:45PM
	Zion Service with Holy Communion	5:00PM
SUNDAY	St. Paul's Service with Holy Communion	8:30AM
	St. Paul's Sunday School and Bible class	9:45AM
MONDAY	Zion Bible class	9:00AM
SATURDAY	Zion Sunday School	3:45PM
	Zion Service with Holy Communion <i>(Special meeting after service)</i>	5:00PM
SUNDAY	St. Paul's Service with Holy Communion	8:30AM
	St. Paul's Sunday School and Bible class	9:45AM

ATTENDANCE last week: 28 Holy Communion: 25 Offering: \$537
 Sunday School: 5 Bible class: 8
 Lent Midweek: 17 Offering: \$271
(Zion needs about \$1,157 in weekly offerings to cover expenses)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Special Voters Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 2nd, after the service to discuss a motion to pursue meetings with St. Paul's Lutheran in Varna and St. John's Lutheran in Washburn in the hope of forming a three-point parish with Rev. Mark Gruden as pastor. Please plan to attend to give your input and your vote.

Lent Midweek Service will be held again this Wednesday, Feb. 28, at 12pm here at Zion. We will be looking at the book of Esther and especially Mordecai's prayer for God's mercy.

Holy Week & Easter at Zion Here is the planned schedule of services for Holy Week:

2024 Theme: ***"To the Testimony!"*** (Isaiah 8:20)

3/28 Maundy Thursday: 12pm Divine Service *"To the Testimony of the Blood of the New Testament"*

3/29 Good Friday: 12pm Tenebrae Service *"To the Testimony of the Water of Baptism"*

3/30 Easter Saturday: 5pm Vigil and Festival Service *"To the Testimony of the Preaching of the Word"*

Genesis 32:22-30

²²The same night [Jacob] arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. ²⁴And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." ²⁷And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered."

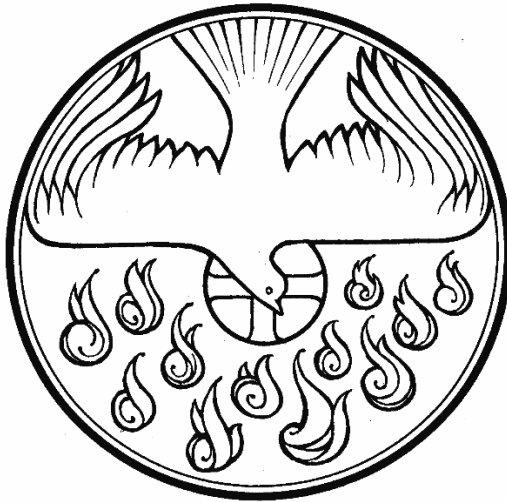
1 Thessalonians 4:1-7

¹Finally, then, brothers, we ask and urge you in the Lord Jesus, that as you received from us how you ought to live and to please God, just as you are doing, that you do so more and more. ²For you know what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus. ³For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from sexual immorality; ⁴that each one of you know how to control his own body in holiness and honor, ⁵not in the passion of lust like the Gentiles who do not know God; ⁶that no one transgress and wrong his brother in this matter, because the Lord is an avenger in all these things, as we told you beforehand and solemnly warned you. ⁷For God has not called us for impurity, but in holiness.

Matthew 15:21-28

²¹ [At that time:] Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon." ²³But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us." ²⁴He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." ²⁵But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." ²⁶And he answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." ²⁷She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

SERMON ON 1 THESSALONIANS 4:1-7



“HOW YOU OUGHT TO WALK”

Sermon Outline

We're walking, not standing still.

1 Thess. 4:1 "...how you ought to walk and to please God...do so more and more..."

God is extremely patient and gracious toward those who repent and believe in Jesus. He abounds in forgiveness and love.

4:1 "Finally, then..."

Yet God would have us keep walking in Christ more and more.

4:1 "...just as you are doing, that you do so more and more."

God wants you to be holy. This means leaving behind sinful desires and passions of the world.

4:3 "For this is the will of God, your holiness...not in the passion of lust like the Gentiles who don't know God."

God warns us about not wronging our neighbors with our sins.

4:6 "...because the Lord is an avenger in all these things..."

UPCOMING SERVICES

LENT MIDWEEK - February 28, 2024

*Esther 13:8b-11,15-17; Matt. 20:17-28

Hymns: 425, 718, 729



SATURDAY - March 2, 2024 The Third Sunday in Lent

The Sunday of Jesus Being Rejected and Called Beelzebul

Ex. 8:16-24; Eph. 5:1-9; Luke 11:14-28

Hymns: 424, 521, 435, 542



LENT MIDWEEK - March 6, 2024

Ex. 20:12-24a; *Matt. 15:1-20

Hymns: 570, 575, 686



SATURDAY - March 9, 2024 The Fourth Sunday in Lent

(Pastor Gruden from Washburn leads the service.)



LENT MIDWEEK - March 13, 2024

John 9:1-38

Hymns: 744, 849, 684



SATURDAY - March 16, 2024 The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Sunday of Jesus Greater than Abraham

Gen. 22:1-19; *Heb. 9:11-15; John 8:46-59a

Hymns: 547, 430, 529, 431

