

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE (LSB 184) FOR THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00 AM..... Sunday, September 6, 2020

RECEIVING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER AT ZION

As intended by Christ and as practiced by the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church throughout her history, "Closed Communion" is observed in this congregation, in which the Lord's Supper is distributed only to those:

- (a) who have been **baptized** in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
- (b) who have been **instructed** in the truth of Holy Scripture as taught in the Lutheran Confessions, who have been **confirmed** in this Lutheran faith, and who now confess the same doctrines that are taught in this congregation, holding membership in a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod;
- (c) who **believe that in this sacrament the real body and blood of Christ are truly distributed to them and orally received by them**, bestowing on them the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation;
- (d) who **sincerely repent** of all their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this holy meal.

Guests at our services, before receiving the sacrament, are requested to affirm these facts with one of our pastors. Thank you for honoring our practice. If you are looking for a church home, would like to be a member of Zion, or would like to learn more about the Christian Faith, please speak to one of our pastors about our membership classes.

✠ = *appropriate to make the baptismal sign of the cross*

When "rise" or "kneel" is indicated, it is appropriate to sit if needed

Greeting and Announcements: *The Lord be with you! And also with you!*

[Rise] **Invocation**

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

+ The Office of Confession of Sins and Absolution +

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father; beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord Who made heaven and earth.

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord. And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

O almighty God, merciful Father; I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

The Congregation rises, turns towards the entrance of the nave, and faces the Cross of Christ, the reminder of Christ's promise to come and dwell among His people as they are gathered in His name.

Introit



[Antiphon] *How great are your | works, O Lord! || Your | thoughts are ve- ry | deep!
|| For behold, your enemies, O Lord, shall | per-__ish; || all evildoers |
shall be scat-__tered.*

Verse 1: **It is good to give thanks | to the Lord, || to sing praises to | your name,
O Most | High; || to declare your steadfast love in the | morn-__ing, ||
and your | faith- ful- ness by | night,**



Verse 2: *to the music of the lute | and the harp, || to the | mel- •ody• of the | lyre. ||
For you, O Lord, have made me glad | by your work; || at the works of your
| hands I sing for | joy.*

Gloria: **Glory be to the Father and I to the Son: || and I to the Ho- ly | •Spirit•; || As it
was in the be- | •ginning•, is now, || and will I be for- •ever• A- | men!**

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shall be scat- __ | tered.**

Kyrie



Lord, have mer-cy up - on __ us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.



Lord __ have mer - cy up - on __ us.

Gloria in Excelsis



Glo-ry be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will •toward• men.



We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee, we



glo-ri - fy Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glo - ry



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God _ the Fa-ther Al - might - y.



O Lord, the on-ly be-got-ten Son, Je-sus Christ, O Lord God,



Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



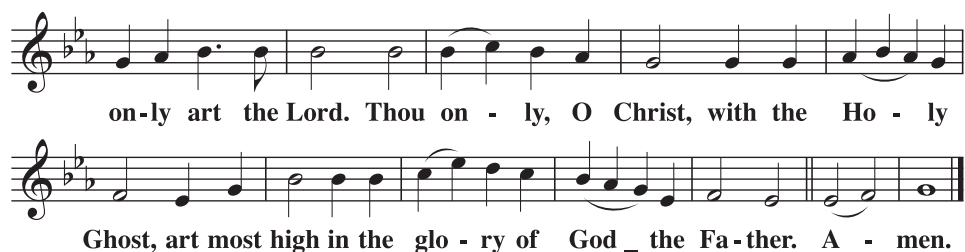
world, have mer-cy up - on _ us: Thou that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world; re - ceive our prayer Thou that sit-test at the right hand of God the

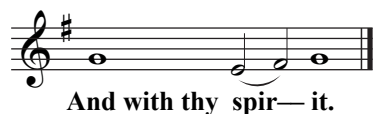


Fa- ther, have mer-cy up - on us. For Thou on - ly art ho - ly, Thou



Salutation

The Lord be with you.



Collect for the Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost: *Let us pray. O God, from whom all good proceeds, grant to us, Your humble servants, Your holy inspiration, that we may set our minds on the things that are right and, by Your merciful guiding, accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*



[Be Seated]

+ The Office of the Word of God +

Old Testament Reading **Ezekiel 33:7-9**

[After the reading] *This is the word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle of the Day **Romans 13:1-10**

[After the reading] *This is the word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

[Rise]

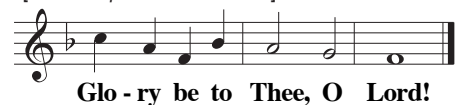
Alleluia Sequence

[Deacon] *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.” Alleluia!*

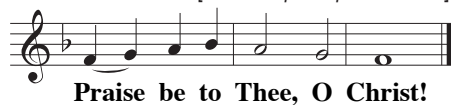


Holy Gospel **St. Matthew 18:1-20**

[The Gospel is announced.]



[The Gospel is proclaimed.]



Confession of Faith (The Nicene Creed)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

[Bow] **And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, And was made man;**

And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into

heaven, And sits at the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe in one Holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen!

Hymn of the Day My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker .. Burgundy Hymn 820

Sermon

[Rise] Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs: ...

[After each petition]: Lord, in Your mercy: Hear our prayer.

[After the final petition]:..., one God, now and forever Amen.

[Be Seated] Offering (please continue your regular tithes and offerings by mail, drop off, or online banking)

Voluntary

[Rise] Offertory Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres- ence, and
take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of
Thy sal-va - tion; and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

Preface

The Lord be with you. Lift up your hearts.

And with thy spir - it. We lift _ them up un - to _ the Lord.

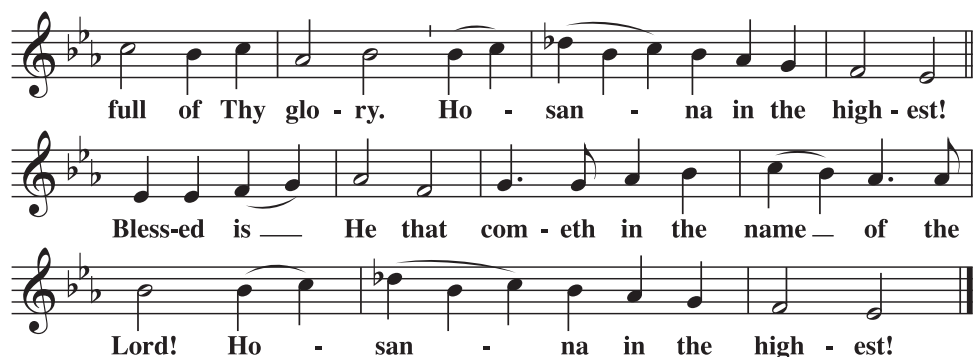
Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

It is meet _ and right so _ to do. _

Common Preface, Sanctus

It is truly meet, right and salutary ever more praising You and saying:

Ho - ly, _ ho - ly, _ ho - ly, _
Lord God of Sab - a-oth; heav - en and _ earth are



full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!
 Bless-ed is — He that com - eth in the name — of the
 Lord! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

[Kneel] The Lord's Prayer

[Pastor chants:] *Our Father who art in heaven; ... but deliver us from evil.*



For Thine is the king - dom and the pow'r and the glo - ry
 for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

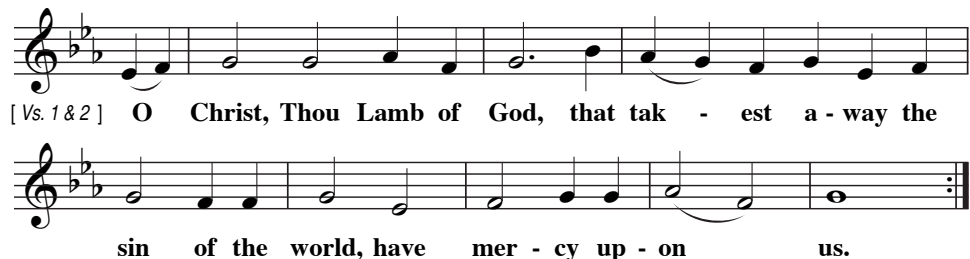
Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

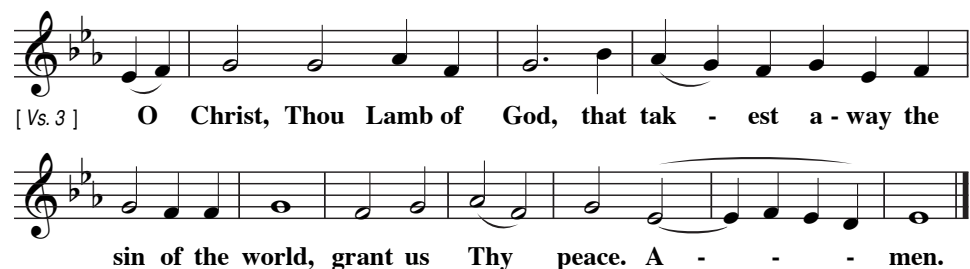


A - men

Agnus Dei



[Vs. 1 & 2] O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the
 sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



[Vs. 3] O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the
 sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - - - men.

[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Burgundy Hymn 623

“As Surely as I Live,” God Said Burgundy Hymn 614

[All sing stanzas 1 & 2; Women alone sing stanzas 3 & 5; Men alone sing stanzas 4 & 6
 All sing stanzas 7 & 8; Rise for stanza 8.]

Eucharistic Benediction

*The Body and Blood of your Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body
 and soul to life everlasting! ✠ Depart in Peace! Amen!*

Post-Communion Canticle.....The Nunc Dimittis



1. Lord now— lettest Thou Thy
servant, de- part— in — peace, ac- cord- ing to Thy Word.
2. For mine__ eyes have seen
Thy Salvation,
which Thou hast pre- pared__ be— fore the face of all__ people.



3. a Light to light-en the Gen- tles and the Glo- ry of Thy peo- ple Is - - - ra- el.



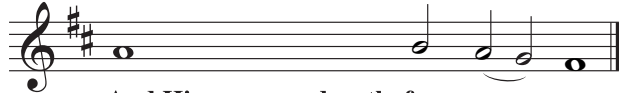
4. Glo— ry__ be to the
Father, and to__ the__ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



5. As it__ was in the
beginning, is
now, and e- ver shall be, world with- out end. A- men.

Post Communion Rite

Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.



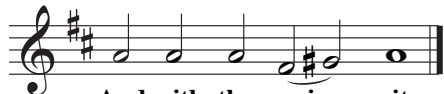
And His mercy endureth for – ev — er.

Prayer of Thanksgiving ... now and forever.



A — men.

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir — rit.

Bless we the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



A - men, A - men, A - men.

During the Recessional, the Congregation turns and faces the Processional Cross, the symbol of Christ's promise to remain with and lead His people as they now go and live in the world in His name.

Recessional Hymn I Lay My Sins on Jesus Burgundy Hymn 606

Postlude

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Readings for the Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Old Testament Reading is Ezekiel 33:7-9

“So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.”

The Epistle is Romans 13:1-10

Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, for he is God’s servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God’s wrath on the wrongdoer. Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God’s wrath but also for the sake of conscience. For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.

Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

The Gospel is Matthew 18:1-20

At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, “Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?” And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them and said, “Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

“Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea.

“Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire.

“See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven.

“What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

“If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.”

Hymns for the Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

LSB820 My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker

Johann Gramann

1. My soul, now praise your Maker! Let all within me bless His name
Who makes you full partaker Of mercies more than you dare claim.
Forget Him not whose meekness Still bears with all your sin,
Who heals your ev'ry weakness, Renews your life within;
Whose grace and care are endless And saved you through the past;
Who leaves no suff'rer friendless But rights the wronged at last.
2. He offers all His treasure Of justice, truth, and righteousness,
His love beyond all measure, His yearning pity o'er distress,
Nor treats us as we merit But sets His anger by.
The poor and contrite spirit Finds His compassion nigh;
And high as heav'n above us, As dawn from close of day,
So far, since He has loved us, He puts our sins away.
3. For as a tender father Has pity on His children here,
God in His arms will gather All who are His in child-like fear.
He knows how frail our powers, Who but from dust are made.
We flourish like the flowers, And even so we fade;
The wind but through them passes, And all their bloom is o'er.
We wither like the grasses; Our place knows us no more.
4. His grace remains forever, And children's children yet shall prove
That God forsakes them never Who in true fear shall seek His love.
In heav'n is fixed His dwelling, His rule is over all;
O hosts with might excelling, With praise before Him fall.
Praise Him forever reigning, All you who hear His Word —
Our life and all sustaining. My soul, O praise the Lord!

LSB623 Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray

Henry E. Jacobs

1. Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray
That we may feast on You today;
Beneath these forms of bread and wine
Enrich us with Your grace divine.
2. Give us, who share this wondrous food,
Your body broken and Your blood,
The grateful peace of sins forgiv'n,
The certain joys of heirs of heav'n.

3. By faith Your Word has made us bold
To seize the gift of love retold;
All that You are we here receive,
And all we are to You we give.
4. One bread, one cup, one body, we,
Rejoicing in our unity,
Proclaim Your love until You come
To bring Your scattered loved ones home.
5. Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray:
O keep us steadfast till that day
When each will be Your welcomed guest
In heaven's high and holy feast.

LSB614 "As Surely as I Live," God Said

Nicolaus Herman

1. "As surely as I live," God said,
"I would not see the sinner dead.
I want him turned from error's ways,
Repentant, living endless days."
2. And so our Lord gave this command:
"Go forth and preach in ev'ry land;
Bestow on all My pard'ning grace
Who will repent and mend their ways.
- W 3. "All those whose sins you thus remit
I truly pardon and acquit,
And those whose sins you will retain
Condemned and guilty shall remain.
- M 4. "What you will bind, that bound shall be;
What you will loose, that shall be free;
To My dear Church the keys are giv'n
To open, close the gates of heav'n."
- W 5. The words which absolution give
Are His who died that we might live;
The minister whom Christ has sent
Is but His humble instrument.

M 6. When ministers lay on their hands,
Absolved by Christ the sinner stands;
He who by grace the Word believes
The purchase of His blood receives.

7. All praise to You, O Christ, shall be
For absolution full and free,
In which You show Your richest grace;
From false indulgence guard our race.

Δ 8. Praise God the Father and the Son
And Holy Spirit, Three in One,
As was, is now, and so shall be
World without end, eternally!

LSB606 I Lay My Sins on Jesus

Horatius Bonar

1. I lay my sins on Jesus, The spotless Lamb of God;
He bears them all and frees us From the accursed load.
I bring my guilt to Jesus To wash my crimson stains
Clean in His blood most precious Till not a spot remains.
2. I lay my wants on Jesus; All fullness dwells in Him;
He heals all my diseases; My soul He does redeem.
I lay my griefs on Jesus, My burdens and my cares;
He from them all releases; He all my sorrows shares.
3. I rest my soul on Jesus, This weary soul of mine;
His right hand me embraces; I on His breast recline.
I love the name of Jesus, Immanuel, Christ, the Lord;
Like fragrance on the breezes His name abroad is poured.

For the family of God's Priestly People at Zion

God calls His own people a "Royal Priesthood." God makes us kings and queens, princes and princesses who are bound together by the Holy Spirit in Baptism for the Christian benefit of each other. Priests **PRAY** -- They talk to God about their neighbor! Priests **TEACH** -- They talk to their neighbor about God! Priests **OFFER SACRIFICES** -- They offer to God the sacrifice of broken and contrite hearts; they offer their bodies and work as holy services to God for their neighbors. Join in this priestly work of prayer with your fellow members.

Morning Prayer

Matthew 18:1-20

Ephesians 6:1-24

Philippians 1:1-20

Philippians 1:21-2:11

Philippians 2:12-30

Philippians 3:1-21

Philippians 4:1-23

DAILY LECTIONARY

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Evening Prayer

Ezekiel 33:7-9

2 Kings 4:38-5:8

2 Kings 5:9-27

2 Kings 6:1-23

2 Kings 9:1-13; 10:18-29

2 Chronicles 29:1-24

2 Chronicles 31:1-21

THE DAILY PETITIONS OF THE CHURCH

[Daily] O Lord, have mercy upon us. O Christ, have mercy upon us. O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Let us pray:

[S] For the joy of the Resurrection among us; for true and godly worship throughout the world; for diligent preaching and hearing of God's Word of Law and Gospel; for our pastors; for the teachers and students of our Sunday School; for our Bible Class leaders and their students; for our catechumens; Lord, in Thy mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[M] For workers; for the unemployed; for farmers; for seasonable weather; for businesses small and large; for our leaders, federal, state and local; for the economic welfare of the nations on earth; for peace in our world; Lord, in Thy mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[T] For the tempted; for the addicted and despairing; for the tortured and oppressed; for the lonely; for the sick, the hospitalized, and the needy; Lord, in Thy mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[W] For fathers, mothers, and families; for those adults who must rear their children alone; the teachers and students of Lutheran South Unity School and Concordia Lutheran High School; Lord, in Thy mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[T] For the Church and her pastors; for the training of ministers of the Word; for missionaries of the Church; for the leaders of the Church, including Matthew, our synod president, and Daniel, our district president; for those who have not heard the Gospel; for the fruitful use of the blessed Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood; Lord, in Thy mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Sat] For faithfulness unto life's earthly end; for the revival of those who have withered in the faith or fallen away; for the dying; Lord, in Thy mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Daily] **The Our Father**

TO PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 50:15-21

Romans 14:1-12

Matthew 18:21-35

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost



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The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is to be the body of Christ gathered at Hanna and Creighton in Fort Wayne, Indiana to:

- Receive Christ's gifts in baptism, preaching, teaching, and the Eucharist;
- Reach out to those who do not know the love of God in Christ;
- Reveal Christ's love for the world through acts of kindness and mercy toward all.

The Pastoral Ministry At Zion

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Organist and Director of Parish Music:

Michael Hollman, MM

Church Office Manager:

Melvia Culpher

PRAYERS FOR TODAY

- + For the church and those experiencing persecution around the world
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad
- + For our nation, under duress because of COVID-19, racial strife, and natural disaster; for our leaders, our military, and our health care workers
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School and Concordia Lutheran High School back at school, and Concordia Theological Seminary restarting soon
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound, including MaryLou Graham, Juanita Moore, Everett Beck, Helen Russell, Jackie Schieferstein, Cheryl Silvers, and Doris Yerger
- + For those who are near death, including Irene Nichols
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Don Ganaway, Jessica Krause, Karl Kostoff, Hadley Schumacher, Mark Hollman, Jill Stokes, Dwight Bieberich, Gloria Gonzalez, Willie Manning, Charlene Young, Lucille Brandt, Donna Scott, Willodean Bates, Connie Meyer, Dick Hollman, Maurice King, John Weber, Miranda Krider, Ron Rastl, Pricilla Evans, and Marlow Hogan
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages
- + For the gift of life and for length of days
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones
- + For the faithful departed, especially James Yerger
- + For our communicants and for a fruitful use of the most Blessed Sacrament of our Lord's Body and Blood

IN THE SERVICE TODAY

Today is the Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl is given in loving memory of James Yerger birthday by his wife Doris Yerger. Please complete an attendance/communion card, including the names of all children, and indicate if you are communing. Non-members, please read the back of the card.

CALENDAR

September 6, 2020 thru September 12, 2020

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
MON.		LABOR DAY Office Closed	
TUES.	9:30 AM	FW Circuit	Southwest Lutheran
	10:00 AM	CTSFW Opening Service	CTSFW
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion Bible Study	Bauer Hall
	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Church
THURS.	7:00 PM	Elder Council	Bauer Hall
FRI.			
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church
	1:00 PM	Adult Catechesis	Zoom

September 13, 2020

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
	11:00 AM	Installation of Principal and Teachers	Peace Lutheran

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: We continue to gather in Bauer Hall with an appropriate amount of distancing to continue the study of the Epistles of St. Peter (we had read through much of 1st Peter this Easter season). Today Seminarian Peter Wagner will continue to lead us into 1 Peter, chapter 2. Dr. Voelz will pick things back up in the fall with the study of the Gospel according to St. Mark.

GOOD NEWS: Zion served 221 families with 8250 diapers! Thanks to all who helped with this project.

COVID-19 UPDATE AT ZION: Not much to update this week. Indiana still has relatively high numbers as of this writing, and they are not decreasing much, even with the mask requirement, although the positivity rate is falling slightly. The mask requirement has been extended until September 25th per Governor Holcomb. The average number of daily deaths statewide continues to fall. Praise God. Allen County's 7-day positivity rate continues to be higher than the state and our surrounding counties. Let's take individual responsibility. We can't control what others do, but we can do our part. If you are able to wear a mask in the pews, you should. In the pew is your greatest chance of prolonged exposure. Chancel participants will continue to wear masks (if physically and medically able) as appropriate 1) for the processions in and out, 2) at the altar for Holy Communion, 3) to distribute Christ's body and blood, and 4) to greet you after Divine Service.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE How did you do on last week's challenge verse? This week's verse gives even more hope in the face of death by Him who conquered death —1 Peter 1:3 "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." Last week's verse was John 14:27.

RIGHT TO LIFE NORTHEAST INDIANA FALL FAMILY PHOTOGRAPHY SESSIONS

Get your family photos taken Saturday, September 19 by Zion's own local photographer and pro-life advocate Laikyn Muehl of *Juniper and Rye*! Laikyn is offering photography sessions that will serve as a fundraiser for Right to Life of Northeast Indiana. These sessions will take place on Saturday, September 19th scheduled between 2 pm-6:30 pm at Swinney Park, 1600 W Jefferson Blvd. (Meeting at the pavilion). Cost is \$100, with 50% of the proceeds benefiting RLNI. Sessions will be 20 minutes in length, booked back-to-back. Participants must be on time. Sessions will not be rescheduled. To book your session, please email Laikyn at juniperandryephoto@gmail.com.

CLHS PRESENTS: Vintage Hitchcock: A Live Radio Play September 26 at 7:30 p.m. and September 27 at 2:00 p.m. Spies, murder, love, and other trademarks of Alfred Hitchcock come to life in the style of a 1940s radio broadcast of the master of suspense's earlier films. With *The Lodger*, *Sabotage* and *The 39 Steps*, Vintage Hitchcock: A Live Radio Play is a triple feature, complete with vintage commercials, that recreates a daring train chase, a serial killer's ominous presence, and a devastating explosion through the magic of live sound effects and musical underscoring.

WATCH CADET ATHLETICS LIVE Because of the "no fan" rule set by the Summit Athletic Conference, Concordia is livestreaming its volleyball and soccer games on its YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/FWCadets. Summit City Sports will continue to stream our football games at www.youtube.com/SummitCitySports. Go Cadets!



What Doctor Luther Says:

About the Two Kinds of Government God Has Instituted

The office of the sword is in itself right and is a divine and useful ordinance, which God does not want us to despise, but to fear, honor, and obey, under penalty of punishment, as St. Paul says in Romans 13 [:1-5]. For God has established two kinds of government among men. The one is spiritual; it has no sword, but it has the word, by means of which men are to become good and righteous, so that with this righteousness they may attain eternal life. He administers this righteousness through the word, which he has committed to the preachers. The other kind is worldly government, which works through the sword so that those who do not want to be good and righteous to eternal life may be forced to become good and righteous in the eyes of the world. He administers this righteousness ‘through the sword. And although God will not reward this kind of righteousness with eternal life, nonetheless, he still wishes peace to be maintained among men and rewards them with temporal blessings. He gives rulers much more property, honor, and power than he gives to others so that they may serve him by administering this temporal righteousness. Thus God himself is the founder, lord, master, protector, and rewarder of both kinds of righteousness. There is no human ordinance or authority in either, but each is a divine thing entirely.

Luther's Works, 46:99-100.

Zion Stay-Safe Protocols

- ☀ Let's stay vigilant. Let's keep one another safe.
- ☀ If you are sick, GO HOME or to the doctor.
- ☀ *If you are over 65 or immunocompromised, be especially careful. Follow the protocol.*
- ☀ Masks are optional in Back on Track Stage 4.5, but *they are recommended in the pews because of prolonged exposure. "Mask Up, Hoosiers!"*
- ☀ Continue to spread out in church in order to do the recommended distancing (six feet); *offset yourselves so you're not directly behind another; use the transepts as necessary. Of course, families who reside together may sit together.*
- ☀ Wash your hands often—20 seconds with soap and water. Use available hand sanitizer.
- ☀ Cough or sneeze into a tissue or into your elbow.
- ☀ No handshaking. An elbow bump for now, please.
- ☀ Limit your socializing after the service.
- ☀ Service bulletin and texts are printed as usual. Take them home afterward or deposit them in the blue recycling bins. Hymns are in the hymnals.
- ☀ No offering plates are being passed. You are invited to place your offerings and communion registrations in the baskets in the narthex. Don't forget your bank's automatic bill pay as a method of tithing.
- ☀ Holy Communion will continue with stations until the virus is contained. Individual cups are offered for the blood of Christ.

Theology in the Parish Lectures

Zion Lutheran Church presents

An Introduction to the Gospel according to St. Mark

by

Rev. Dr. James Voelz,
the Dr. Jack Dean Kingsbury
Professor of New Testament Theology
at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

followed by

**Sacred Music at Zion: Hymns of
the Reformation**

led by

Michael Hollman

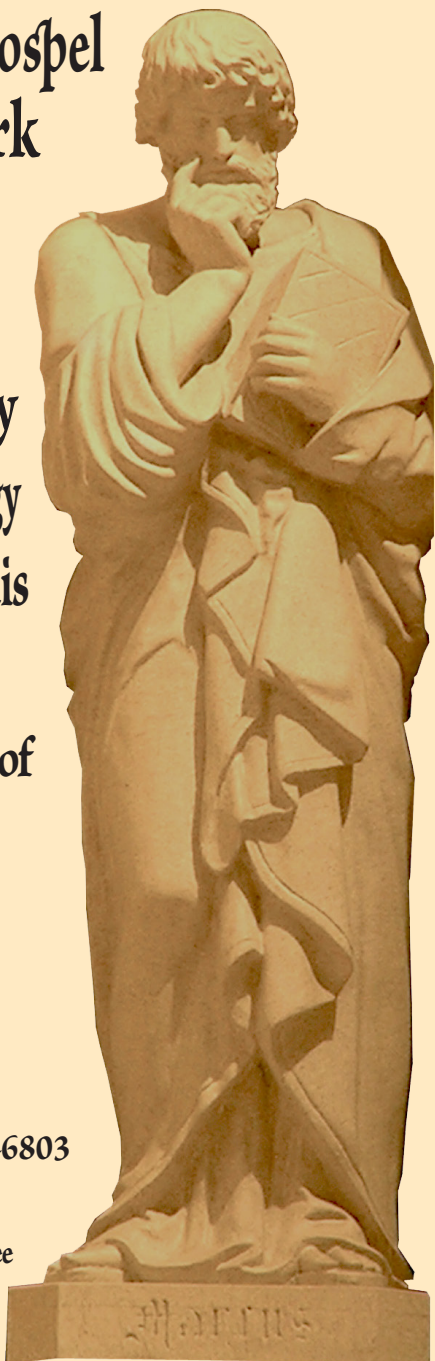
Saturday, October 31

1:30 pm – 4:00 pm

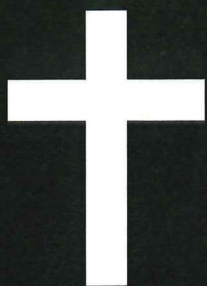
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Admission: \$5 for Adults; Children 14 and under Free

COVID-19 stay-safe protocols will be observed



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