

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

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

9:00 AM..... Sunday, September 20, 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.

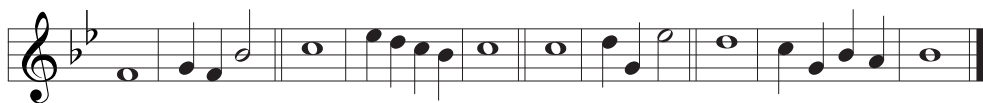
I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord. And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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] *I will offer to you the sacrifice | of thanks- •giving• || and call on | the name of the | Lord. || I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of | all his •people•, || in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, | O Je-ru-sa-lem.*

Verse 1: **What shall I render | to the Lord || for all his | be- ne- fits to | me? || I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name | of the Lord, || I will pay my vows to the Lord in the | •presence• of all his | •people•.**



Verse 2: *Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death | of his saints. || O Lord, I | am
your ser-__ | vant; || I am your servant, the son of your | maid- ser- vant. ||
You have | •loosed•__ my__ | bonds.*

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

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| lem.**

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



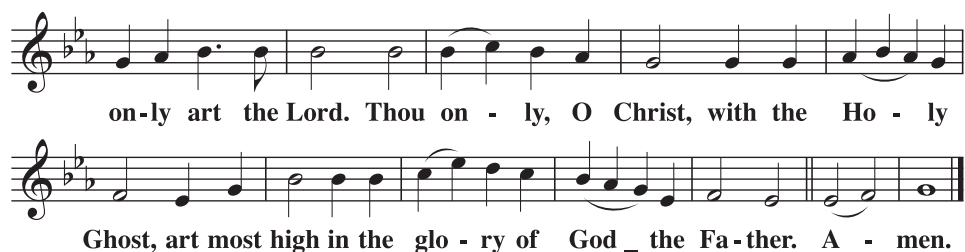
world, have mer-cy up - on _ us: Thou that tak-est a-way the sin of the



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

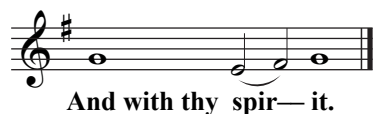


Fa- ther, have mer-cy up - on us. For Thou on - ly art ho - ly, Thou



Salutation

The Lord be with you.



Collect for the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost: *Let us pray. Lord God, heavenly Father, since we cannot stand before You relying on anything we have done, help us trust in Your abiding grace and live according to Your Word; 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 Isaiah 55:6-9

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

Epistle of the Day Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30

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

[Rise]

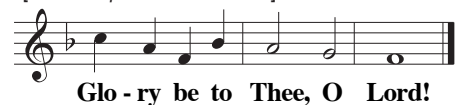
Alleluia Sequence

[Deacon] *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God. Alleluia!*

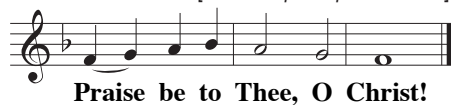


Holy Gospel St. Matthew 20:1-16

[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 Salvation Unto Us .. Burgundy Hymn 555 St. 1-6

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

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 Hark, the Voice of Jesus Burgundy Hymn 827
O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee Burgundy Hymn 632
Salvation Unto Us .. Burgundy Hymn 555 St. 7-10
 [Rise for stanza 10.]

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- tiles and the Glo- ry of Thy peo- ple Is - - - ra- el.



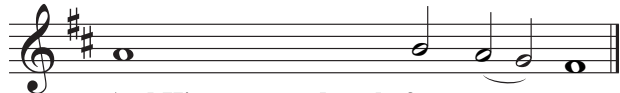
4. Glo— ry__ be to the
Father, and to__ the__ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



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.



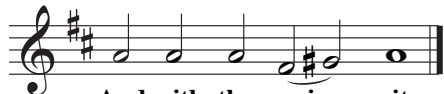
And His mercy endureth for – ev — er.

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 How Clear Is Our Vocation Burgundy Hymn 853

Postlude

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Readings for the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Old Testament Reading is Isaiah 55:6-9

“Seek the Lord while he may be found;
call upon him while he is near;
let the wicked forsake his way,
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.”

The Epistle is Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30

I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear. ...

For I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. For it has been granted to you that for

the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

The Gospel is Matthew 20:1-16

[Jesus said,] “The kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and to them he said, ‘You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.’ So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You go into the vineyard too.’ And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.’ And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?’ So the last will be first, and the first last.”

Hymns for the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

LSB555 Salvation Unto Us Has Come, sts. 1-6

Paul Speratus

1. Salvation unto us has come By God's free grace and favor;
Good works cannot avert our doom, They help and save us never.
Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone, Who did for all the world atone;
He is our one Redeemer.
2. What God did in His Law demand And none to Him could render
Caused wrath and woe on ev'ry hand For man, the vile offender.
Our flesh has not those pure desires The spirit of the Law requires,
And lost is our condition.
3. It was a false, misleading dream That God His Law had given
That sinners could themselves redeem And by their works gain heaven.
The Law is but a mirror bright To bring the inbred sin to light
That lurks within our nature.
4. From sin our flesh could not abstain, Sin held its sway unceasing;
The task was useless and in vain, Our guilt was e'er increasing.
None can remove sin's poisoned dart Or purify our guileful heart —
So deep is our corruption.
5. Yet as the law must be fulfilled Or we must die despairing,
Christ came and has God's anger stilled, Our human nature sharing.
He has for us the Law obeyed And thus the Father's vengeance stayed
Which over us impended.
6. Since Christ has full atonement made And brought to us salvation,
Each Christian therefore may be glad And build on this foundation.
Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead, Your death is now my life indeed,
For You have paid my ransom.

LSB827 Hark, the Voice of Jesus Daniel March (st. 1); Stephen Starke (sts. 2-4)

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1. Hark, the voice of Jesus crying, "Who will go and work today?
Fields are white and harvests waiting — Who will bear the sheaves away?"
Loud and long the Master calleth; Rich reward He offers thee.
Who will answer, gladly saying, "Here am I, send me, send me?"
2. Some take up His task in morning, To their Lord responding soon;
Some are called in heat of midday, Others late in afternoon;
Een as the sun is setting, Some are sent into the fields,
There to gather in the bounty That God's Word so richly yields.

3. For as rain and snow from heaven Water seeds in dusty soil,
Causing them to bud and flower, Giving bread to those who toil;
So the Lord sends forth His promise, Words of life and joy and peace —
Never void to Him returning, Bearing fruit with great increase.
4. Harken to the Lord whose coming Marks the time when grace shall end,
When with His angelic reapers He in glory shall descend.
Soon the night, the final harvest; Soon the time for work shall cease.
Then the souls His grace has garnered Shall enjoy His Sabbath peace.

LSB632 O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee

Thomas Hansen Kingo

1. O Jesus, blessed Lord, to Thee
My heartfelt thanks forever be,
Who hast so lovingly bestowed
On me Thy body and Thy blood.
2. Break forth, my soul, for joy and say:
What wealth is come to me this day!
My Savior dwells within my heart:
How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

LSB555 Salvation Unto Us Has Come, sts. 7-10

Paul Speratus

7. Let me not doubt, but truly see Your Word cannot be broken:
Your call rings out, “Come unto Me!” No falsehood have You spoken.
Baptized into Your precious name, My faith cannot be put to shame,
And I shall never perish.
8. The Law reveals the guilt of sin And makes us conscience-stricken;
But then the Gospel enters in The sinful soul to quicken.
Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live; The Law no peace can ever give,
No comfort and no blessing.
9. Faith clings to Jesus’ cross alone And rests in Him unceasing;
And by its fruits true faith is known, With love and hope increasing.
For faith alone can justify; Works serve our neighbor and supply
The proof that faith is living.
- Δ 10. All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise To Father, Son, and Spirit,
The God who saved us by His grace; All glory to His merit.
triune God in heav’n above, You have revealed Your saving love;
Your blessed name we hallow.

LSB853 How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

Fred Pratt Green

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1. How clear is our vocation, Lord, When once we heed Your call:
To live according to Your Word And daily learn, refreshed, restored,
That You are Lord of all And will not let us fall.
2. We marvel how Your saints become In hindrances more sure;
Whose joyful virtues put to shame The casual way we wear Your name
And by our faults obscure Your pow'r to cleanse and cure.
3. But if, forgetful, we should find Your yoke is hard to bear;
If worldly pressures fray the mind, And love itself cannot unwind
Its tangled skein of care: Our inward life repair.
4. In what You give us, Lord, to do, Together or alone,
In old routines or ventures new, May we not cease to look to You,
The cross You hung upon — All You endeavored done.

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 20:1-16

1 Timothy 4:1-16

1 Timothy 5:1-16

1 Timothy 5:17-6:2

1 Timothy 6:3-21

Matthew 3:1-17

Matthew 4:1-11

DAILY LECTIONARY

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Nehemiah 5:1-16; 6:1-9, 15-16

Nehemiah 7:1-4; 8:1-18

Nehemiah 9:1-21

Nehemiah 9:22-38

Malachi 1:1-14

Malachi 2:1-3:5

Evening Prayer

Isaiah 55:6-9

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

St. Michael & All Angels

Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3

Revelation 12:7-12

Luke 10:17-20

The Sixteenth 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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Peter Wagner

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John Fink, Hannah Maresh, Cathie Wakeland, Natalie Reynolds

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Organist and Director of Parish Music:

Michael Hollman, MM

Church Office Manager:

Melvia Culpheer

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, Concordia Lutheran High School, and Concordia Theological Seminary all back at school,
- + 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, Jerry & Elaine Seifert, Maurice King, John Weber, Miranda Krider, Ron Rastl, and Marlow Hogan
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages, especially Carl & Rosie Albersmeyer
- + 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, including Carl & Helen Wiegman
- + 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 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl is given in loving memory of Carl & Helen Wiegman on their wedding anniversary by Roberta and Jesse Reyes. The Altar Vase is given in celebration of the 54th wedding anniversary of Carl & Rosie Albersmeyer. 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 20, 2020 thru September 26, 2020

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
MON.	7:00 PM	Special Delegate Meeting	CLHS
TUES.	12 NOON	Administrative Council	Bauer Hall
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion Bible Study	Bauer Hall
	1:00 PM	SPZP Board Meeting	Carson Boxberger
	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Church
THURS.			
FRI.	6:00 PM	Scott/Jordan Wedding Rehearsal	Church
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church
	3:00 PM	Scott/Jordan Wedding	Church

September 27, 2020

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
	2:00 PM	Vintage Hitchcock Play	CLHS

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: As we continue to gather in Bauer Hall with an appropriate amount of distancing, we welcome back Dr. Voelz who is picking things back up in the Gospel according to St. Mark. Don't be shy. Dr. Voelz is an engaging teacher.

FLOWERS: If anyone is interested in placing flowers in the baptismal bud vase please contact Rosie Albersmeyer at 260-747-2684.

COVID-19 UPDATE AT ZION: Most of the statewide averages are trending down. Allen County is pretty stable but at too high a number. Vigilance! As far as I know, churches around the state have acted responsibly. Let us take individual responsibility in loving and serving our neighbors. 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 is a little creed —1 Corinthians 15:3-4 "For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures." Last week's verse was 2 Corinthians 12:9

INVITATION Kevin Scott (Donna's son; Brent's brother, etc.) and Michelle Jordan will be united in marriage here at Zion this Saturday, September 26, 3 PM. This is a service of the church, and Zion members are encouraged to attend this joyful occasion.

INTERESTED in serving on the Board of Lutheran Life Villages or Lutheran Social Services of Indiana? Let Pastor know, and he'll share your name with the appropriate people.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE Thanks to Laikyn Muehl and Rachel Muehl for volunteering to coordinate Zion's effort. Look for more info in the days ahead, and sign up to pray.

NIRL MEMORIAL FOR THE UNBORN: What: Last year 372 babies from Northeast Indiana lost their lives to abortion. This important event gives us a chance to honor the short lives of these children and pray for their mothers and all who are or have been affected by abortion. When: Sunday, October 4th at 2 pm. Where: The Catholic Cemetery, 3500 Lake Ave, Fort Wayne.

NIRL BANQUET: What: Right to Life of Northeast Indiana's annual fundraising banquet; When: Monday, October 12th, doors open 5:30 pm; Where: Ceruti's Banquet and Event Center, 6325 Illinois Rd. They will be following all COVID-19 regulations as applicable at the time of the event. For those not able to attend in person, please contact them to participate remotely by emailing rlni@ichooselife.org or call 260-471-1849.

CLHS: Vintage Hitchcock: A Live Radio Play is playing 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. Ticket prices are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students in high school or younger. Please order your tickets ahead of time through the Presale Ticket form at www.clhscadets.com/drama. Seats will be assigned. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

CLHS GOLF OUTING: Concordia will host its annual Golf Outing at Chestnut Hills on October 1. Registration is now open at www.golf4cadets.com.

HELP WANTED: The FWL is looking for an editor who can take the reins on January 1, 2021. Requirements for the new editor are in The Fort Wayne Lutheran newspaper, or go to myfwl.org.



What Doctor Luther Says:

About the Blessings that Await Christians

Christians certainly have the greatest blessings of all awaiting them in the future. However, these are attained only through sufferings and death. They surely also rejoice in that common and uncertain hope that the evil of the present will come to an end and that its opposite, the blessing, will increase, but this is not their chief concern. Their chief concern is that their own particular blessing might increase, namely, the truth that is in Christ, in which they advance day by day and for which they live and hope. But besides this blessing they have, as I have said, the two greatest blessings in their death. The first is that through death the whole tragedy of this world's ills is ended. Thus it is written, "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints" [Ps. 116:15], and, "In peace shall I lie down and sleep" [Ps. 4:8], and, "Though the righteous man be seized by death, he shall be at rest" [Wisd. of Sol. 4:7]. But for the ungodly, on the other hand, death is the beginning of evils, as it is written, "The death of sinners is most evil" [Ps. 34:21], and also, "Evils shall seize the unjust man unto destruction" [Ps. 140:11]. Thus Lazarus, who received his evils in his lifetime, will be comforted, while the rich glutton will be tormented because he received his good things here [Luke 16:25].

Whether he lives or dies, the Christian is thus always in a better state. How blessed it is to be a Christian and to believe in Christ! That is why Paul says, "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain" [Phil. 1:21]. In Romans 14 [8] he says, "If a man lives, he lives unto the Lord; if he dies, he dies unto the Lord. Whether we live, therefore, or die, we are the Lord's." This security Christ has won for us by his death and resurrection, so that he might be the Lord of both the living and the dead, and be able to keep us as safe in death as in life.

Luther's Works, 42:148-9.

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

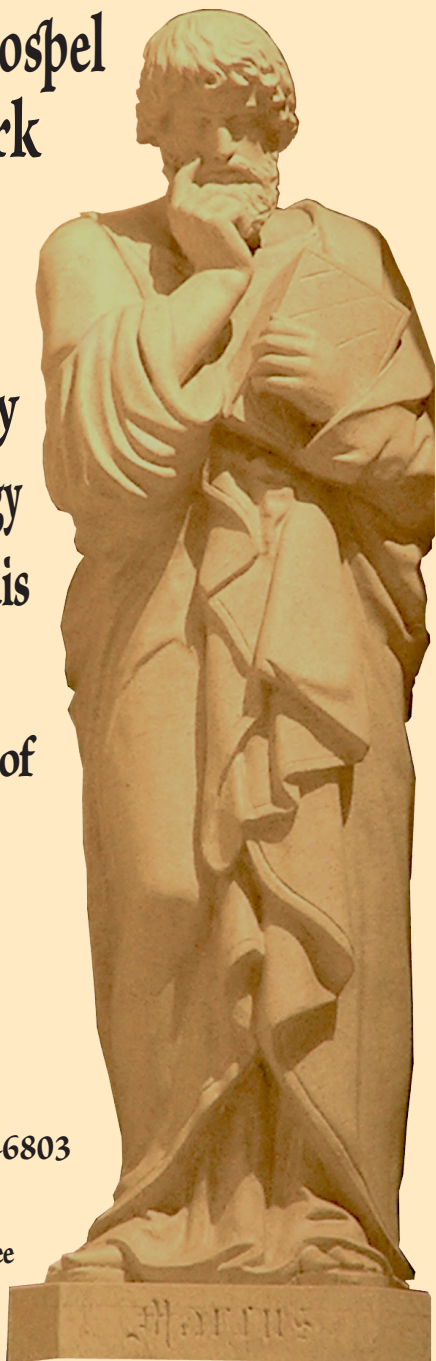
Saturday, October 31

1:30 pm – 4:00 pm

2313 Hanna Street, Fort Wayne, IN 46803
(260) 744-1389

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

COVID-19 stay-safe protocols will be observed



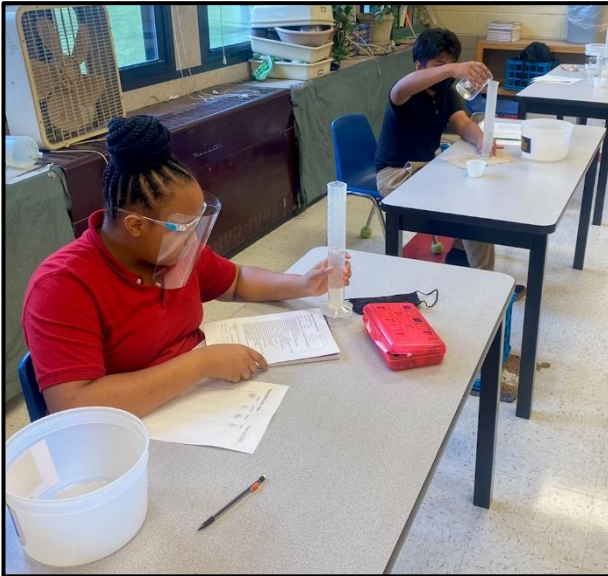
LSUS NOTES

Praying for You!



Please pray for these students:

Sierra Craffey	Kenyale Bryant
Cain Garcia	Mikah Edgell
Di'Mond Williams-White	Naomi Sims
LaChelle Bonner	Daequan Boone
Promise Ackles	Cathie Wakeland
Maurice King	



Science Class

Eighth Grade Students under the instruction of Mr. Koch learning how to use measuring tools for liquids. As well as Liquid Volumes.

Below:
Third Grade at recess saying "cheese".



LSUS NOTES continued

Updated Website!

Our Website has had a makeover and is looking very nice! We added 'A Walk Through Our Halls' where you can see all the bulletin boards from our hallways with student's artwork all over them! Look under the CONNET button then you will see 'A Walk Through Our Halls' Please, go to our website which is www.LSUSFW.org to check it out.

Celebrate Susan Mittelstaedt's Retirement

You are invited to celebrate Susan Mittelstaedt and her 43 years of serving God's children as a teacher. 25 of those years were right here at LSUS! Sunday October 11, 2020. 9:30 am Service followed by an Open House 10:45 to Noon. Mount Calvary Lutheran Church & Family Life Center 1819 Reservation Drive Fort Wayne, IN 46819

Co-Vid restrictions will be in place. Please wear a mask. There will be plenty of room for social distancing. If unable to attend you can send a card to: Natalie Reynolds Lutheran South Unity School 5401 S. Calhoun St. Fort Wayne, IN 46807

Scriptural Encouragement

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

~ Lamentations 3:22-26

COMING IN FALL OF 2020 | NEW BOOK FROM CONCORDIA PUBLISHING



FAITH IN THE SHADOW OF A PANDEMIC

JOHN T. PLESS | JACOB CORZINE

As Christians, we know how to address the tension between fear and hope. In the midst of our fears, Jesus Christ enters with hope and peace. Fear alone is paralyzing, but fear among the faithful may drive us to Christ. We are no longer paralyzed but rather freed and enabled to show love to our neighbors.