

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00 am Sunday, November 8, 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.

[Kneel]

*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] *Even the sparrow | finds a home__ , || and the swallow a | nest__ for her- | self, || where she may | lay her young__ , || at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my | King__ and my | God.*

Verse 1: **How lovely is your | dwell- ing place__ , || O | LORD__ of__ | hosts! || Behold our | shield, O God__ ; || look on the face of | your a- noint-__ | ed!**

Verse 2: *For a day in your | courts is bet- ter || than a | thous- and else-__ | where. || I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house | of my God__ || than dwell in the | tents of wick- ed- | ness.*

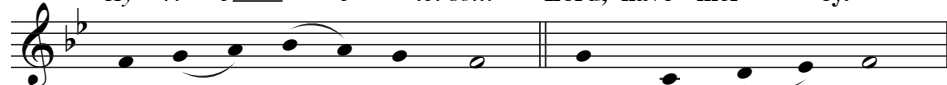
Gloria: **Glory be to the Father and | to the Son__ : || and | to the Ho- ly | •Spirit•; || As it was in the be- | •ginning•, is now__ , || and will | be for- •ever•. A- | men!**

[Antiphon] *Even the sparrow | finds a home__ , || and the swallow a | nest__ for her- | self, || where she may | lay her young__ , || at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my | King__ and my | God.*

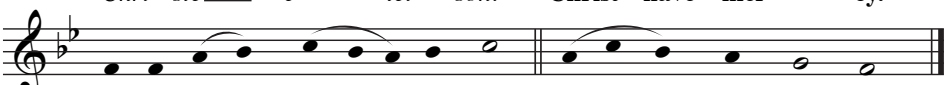
Kyrie



Ky - ri - e__ e - lei-son. Lord, have mer - cy.



Chri - ste__ e - lei - son. Christ have mer - cy.



Ky - ri - e__ e - lei - son. Lord, __ have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis



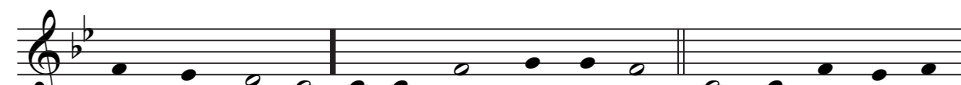
Glo - ry to God in the high - est. And on earth peace,



a - mong men with whom He is pleased. 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-



migh-ty. O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ,



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, who ta - kest a - way the



sin of the world, have mer - cy on us. Thou who ta - kest a - way the sin of the world,

re-ceive our prayer. Thou who sit - test at the right hand of God

the Father, have mer-cy on us. *For Thou on-ly art ho - ly. Thou on-ly*

art the Lord, *Thou on - ly O Christ with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,*

art most high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

A - - - - - men.

Salutation

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spir— it.

Collect for the Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost: *Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son to lead home His bride, the church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through the same Jesus Christ, 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..... Amos 5:18-24

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

Epistle of the Day **1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

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

[*Rise*] **Alleluia Sequence**

[Deacon] Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour. Alleluia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le lu - ia!

Holy Gospel St. Matthew 25:1-13

[*The Gospel is announced.*]

[*The Gospel is proclaimed.*]

Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord!

Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

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!

[Be Seated]

Hymn of the Day Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying Burgundy Hymn 516

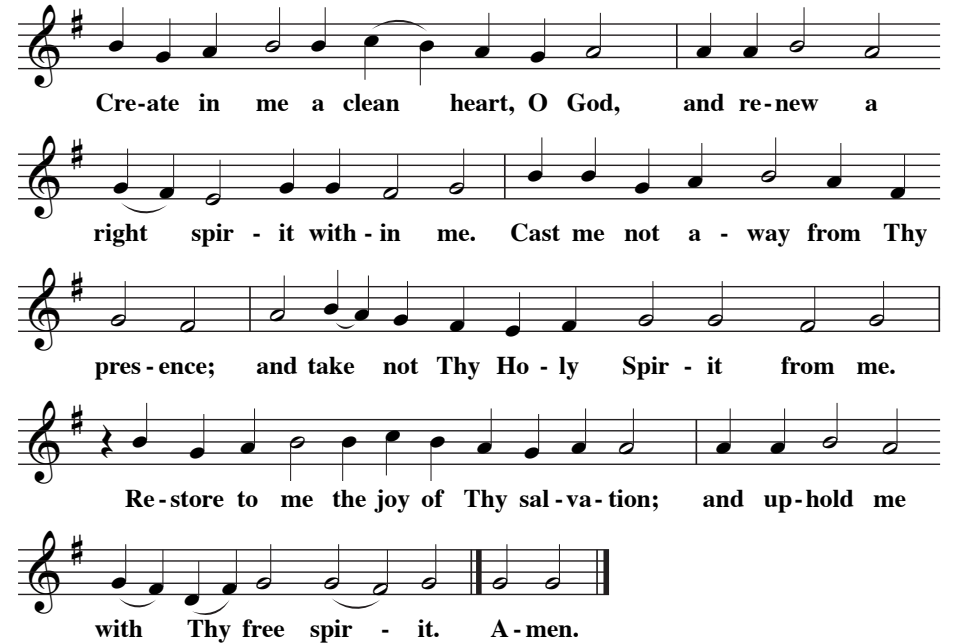
Sermon

[Rise] Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole people 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 prayer]:..., one God, now and forever Amen.

[Be Seated] Offerings, Voluntary

[Rise] Offertory Hymn 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 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.



And with thy spir - it.

Lift up your hearts.



We lift them up un - to the Lord.

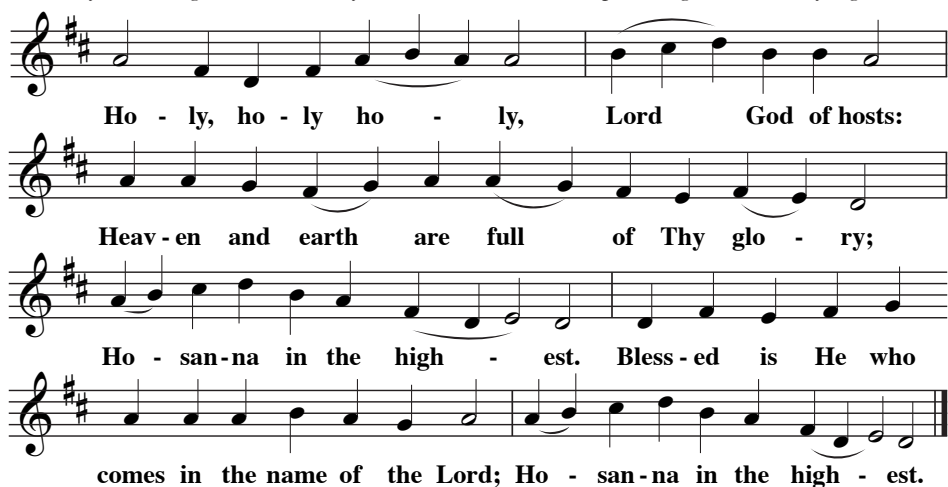
Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



It is meet and right so to do.

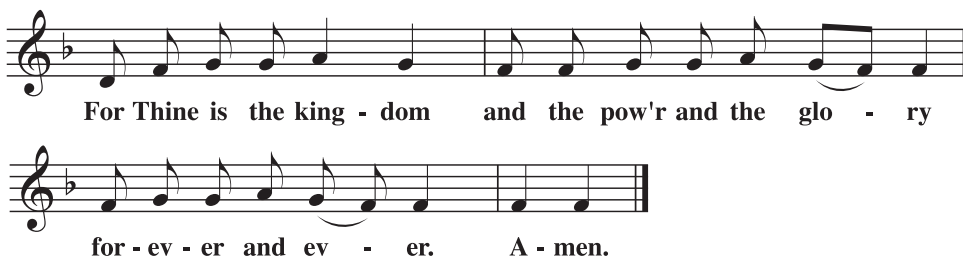
Common Preface, Sanctus

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



[Kneel] Lord's Prayer

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



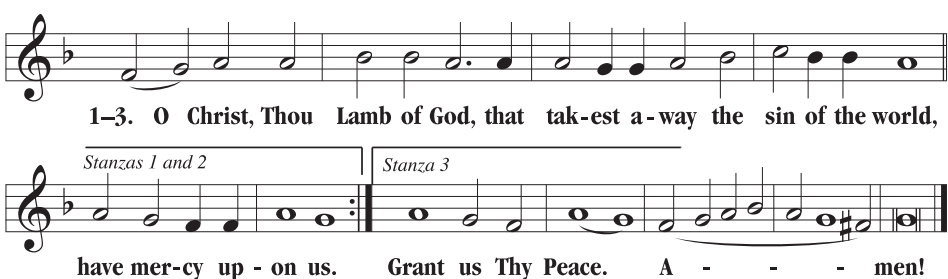
Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



A - men.

Agnus Dei



1-3. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world,

Stanzas 1 and 2

Stanza 3

have mer-cy up - on us. Grant us Thy Peace. A - - - men!

[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns The Bridegroom Soon Burgundy Hymn 514

Lift Up Your Heads Burgundy Hymn 340

O Lord, We Praise Thee Burgundy Hymn 617

[Rise] 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.



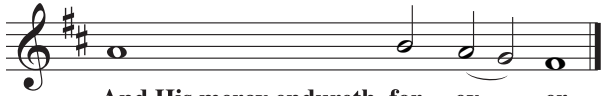
4. Glo— ry__ be to the
Father, and to__ the __ Son, and to the Ho— ly Ghost.



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.



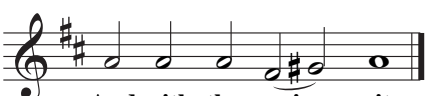
And His mercy endureth for — ev — er.

Prayer of Thanksgiving ... now and forever.



A — men.

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir — rit.

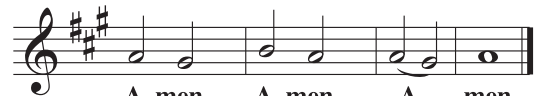
Bless we the Lord.



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 Rejoice, Rejoice Believers Burgundy Hymn 515

Postlude

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Readings for the Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

The Old Testament Reading is Amos 5:18-24

Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD!

Why would you have the day of the LORD?

It is darkness, and not light,

as if a man fled from a lion,

and a bear met him,

or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall,

and a serpent bit him.

Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light,

and gloom with no brightness in it?

“I hate, I despise your feasts,

and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.

Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,

I will not accept them;

and the peace offerings of your fattened animals,

I will not look upon them.

Take away from me the noise of your songs;

to the melody of your harps I will not listen.

But let justice roll down like waters,

and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.”

The Epistle is 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

The Gospel is St. Matthew 25:1-13

[Jesus said,] “Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ But the wise answered, saying, ‘Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.’ And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

Hymns for the Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

LSB516 Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying

Philipp Nicolai

1. "Wake, awake, for night is flying,"
The watchmen on the heights are crying;
"Awake, Jerusalem, arise!"
Midnight hears the welcome voices
And at the thrilling cry rejoices;
"Oh, where are ye, ye virgins wise?
The Bridegroom comes, awake!
Your lamps with gladness take! Alleluia!
With bridal care Yourselves prepare
To meet the Bridegroom, who is near."
2. Zion hears the watchmen singing,
And all her heart with joy is springing;
She wakes, she rises from her gloom.
For her Lord comes down all-glorious,
The strong in grace, in truth victorious;
Her star is ris'n, her light is come.
Now come, Thou Blessed One,
Lord Jesus, God's own Son, Hail! Hosanna!
We enter all The wedding hall
To eat the Supper at Thy call.
3. Now let all the heav'ns adore Thee,
Let saints and angels sing before Thee
With harp and cymbals' clearest tone.
Of one pearl each shining portal,
Where, joining with the choir immortal,
We gather round Thy radiant throne.
No eye has seen the light,
No ear has heard the might Of Thy glory;
Therefore will we Eternally
Sing hymns of praise and joy to Thee!!

LSB514 The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us

Johann Walter

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1. The Bridegroom soon will call us, “Come to the wedding feast.”
May slumber not befall us Nor watchfulness decrease.
May all our lamps be burning With oil enough and more
That we, with Him returning, May find an open door.
2. There shall we see in glory Our dear Redeemer’s face;
The long-awaited story Of heav’nly joy takes place;
The patriarchs shall meet us, The prophets’ holy band;
Apostles, martyrs greet us In that celestial land.
3. There God shall from all evil Forever make us free,
From sin and from the devil, From all adversity,
From sickness, pain, and sadness, From troubles, cares, and fears,
And grant us heav’nly gladness And wipe away our tears.
4. In that fair home shall never Be silent music’s voice;
With hearts and lips forever We shall in God rejoice.
While angel hosts are raising With saints from great to least
A mighty hymn for praising The Giver of the feast.

LSB340 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Might Gates

Georg Weissel

1. Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates! Behold, the King of glory waits.
The King of kings is drawing near; The Savior of the world is here.
Life and salvation He doth bring; Therefore rejoice and gladly sing.
To God the Father raise Your joyful songs of praise.
2. A righteous Helper comes to thee; His chariot is humility,
His kingly crown is holiness, His scepter, pity in distress.
The end of all our woe He brings; Therefore the earth is glad and sings.
To Christ the Savior raise Your grateful hymns of praise.
3. How blest the land, the city blest, Where Christ the ruler is confessed!
O peaceful hearts and happy homes To whom this King in triumph comes!
The cloudless sun of joy is He Who comes to set His people free.
To God the Spirit raise Your happy shouts of praise.
4. Fling wide the portals of your heart; Make it a temple set apart
From earthly use for heav’n’s employ, Adorned with prayer and love and joy.
So shall your Sov’reign enter in And new and nobler life begin.
To God alone be praise For word and deed and grace!

5. Redeemer, come and open wide My heart to Thee; here, Lord, abide!
O enter with Thy grace divine; Thy face of mercy on me shine.
Thy Holy Spirit guide us on Until our glorious goal is won.
Eternal praise and fame We offer to Thy name.

LSB617 O Lord, We Praise Thee

Martin Luther

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1. O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee,
In thanksgiving bow before Thee.
Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish
Our weak souls that they may flourish: O Lord, have mercy!
May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary,
That our sins and sorrows did carry, And Thy blood for us plead
In all trial fear and need: O Lord, have mercy!
2. Thy holy body into death was given
Life to win for us in heaven.
No greater love than this to Thee could bind us;
May this feast thereof remind us! O Lord, have mercy!
Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee
That Thy blood should bless and sustain me. All our debt Thou has paid
Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mercy!
3. May God bestow on us His grace and favor
That we follow Christ our Savior
And live together here in love and union
Nor despise this blest Communion! O Lord, have mercy!
Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us;
Grant that heav'nly minded He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord to see
Days of peace and unity: O Lord, have mercy!

LSB515 Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

Laurentius Laurenti

1. Rejoice, rejoice, believers, And let your lights appear;
The evening is advancing, And darker night is near.
The Bridegroom is arising And soon is drawing nigh.
Up, pray and watch and wrestle; At midnight comes the cry.
2. The watchers on the mountain Proclaim the Bridegroom near;
Go forth as He approaches With alleluias clear.
The marriage feast is waiting; The gates wide open stand.
Arise, O heirs of glory; The Bridegroom is at hand.

3. The saints, who here in patience Their cross and sufferings bore,
Shall live and reign forever When sorrow is no more.
Around the throne of glory The Lamb they shall behold;
In triumph cast before Him Their diadems of gold.
4. Our hope and expectation, O Jesus, now appear;
Arise, O Sun so longed for, O'er this benighted sphere.
With hearts and hands uplifted, We plead, O Lord, to see
The day of earth's redemption That sets Your people free!

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 25:1-13
Matthew 25:1-13
Matthew 25:14-30
Matthew 25:31-46
Matthew 26:1-19
Matthew 26:20-35
Matthew 26:36-56

DAILY LECTIONARY

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday

Evening Prayer

Amos 5:18-24
Jeremiah 22:1-23
Jeremiah 23:1-20
Jeremiah 23:21-40
Jeremiah 25:1-18
Jeremiah 26:1-19
Jeremiah 29:1-19

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!**

[F] For the preaching of the Cross; for those persecuted for the sake of Gospel; the confession of the orthodox Lutheran faith in our community; 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 Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Zephaniah 1:7-16

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Matthew 25:14-30

Twenty-third Sunday after the 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, especially our fieldworkers, Peter and Erik
- + For our nation, under duress because of COVID-19, racial strife, and natural disaster; for our leaders, our military, and our health care workers; as we prepare for elections
- + 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
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Nikki Wideman, Greg Albersmeyer, Jessica Krause, Hadley Schumacher, Mark Hollman, Jill Stokes, Gloria Gonzalez, Willie Manning, Lucille Brandt, Donna Scott, Willodean Bates, Connie Meyer, Dick Hollman, Mike & Rita Davies, Jerry Seifert, Maurice King, John Weber, Miranda Krider, Ron Rastl, 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, especially Kristie Roberson and family
- + For the faithful departed, especially Henrietta & Ferdinand Bornkamp.
- + 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 Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl and The Altar Vases are given in loving memory of Henrietta and Ferdinand Bornkamp by Jennifer Manth. 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

November 8, 2020 thru November 14, 2020

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
	10:30 AM	Junior Catechesis	Conference Room
	7:00 PM	Bach Collegium at Zion	Online
	7:30 PM	CTSFW Choral Vespers	Kramer Chapel
MON.	7:30 PM	CTSFW Hymn Festival	Kramer Chapel
TUES.	9:30 AM	Circuit Winkel	IN District Office
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion Bible Study	Bauer Hall
	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Church
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FRI.	9:00 AM	8 th Graders Discover Concordia	CLHS
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church

November 15, 2020

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
	10:30 AM	Junior Catechesis	Conference Room

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.

TODAY is the deadline to return your pledge cards. Place them in the offering baskets in the narthex. If you forgot, don't worry — just drop them in the mail or by the office this week. Thank you.

A CONGREGATIONAL ASSEMBLY is scheduled for Sunday, November 22, in the nave immediately after Divine Service. The agenda is brief with two items: 1) Elect a representative to the Circuit Forum, which will meet at 7 PM, Tuesday, December 8; and 2) nominate a Circuit Visitor for the upcoming triennium. Plan to stay briefly.

ANNUAL RENEWAL: it's that time of year to renew your subscription to Lutheran Witness Indiana Yearly please submit your check for \$19 to Zion Lutheran Church in the memo line add Lutheran Witness by December 1st.

COVID-19 UPDATE AT ZION: The state's positives remain high; the percentage of positives is rising along with the death rate. We still have good capacity with regard to ICU space and ventilators. Lets continue to take personal responsibility in loving and serving out neighbors, in church, and generally. It hits hard, if it does affect you. Lets not be flippant about it.

BETHLEHEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH invites you to the installation of their new pastor Rev. Ben Ahlersmeyer on Sunday, November 22, 2020, at 3:00PM. There will be a reception after the service.

INDIANA DISTRICT wants your help designing the 2021 District Convention Logo. For more information and official submission guidelines contact Aaron Nielsen at Education@in.lmcs.org / Deadline: December 15th.

PLEASE HELP: Now through Wednesday, December 9th, Zion will be accepting your gifts for CTSFW students. Grocery sacks with a list of items on them are on the small table in the Great Hall. Ed & Janice Grim will deliver these items to the Food Bank weekly. In addition to the grocery sacks for food items, there is a small box on the table, in which you may place a gift card or cash, if you prefer that way of giving.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE How did you do on last week's challenge verse? This week's verse helps us ponder those faithful warriors who have gone before us and encourages us by their example — Hebrews 12:1 "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us." Last week's verse was John 8:31-32.

GOOD SHEPHERD INSTITUTE is being held at Concordia Theological Seminary, Sunday through Tuesday, although attendance is limited. Many lectures are being livestreamed. Go to www.ctsfw.edu/ctsfw-events/good-shepherd-institute/ to register.

WATCH WORSHIP ANEW every Sunday on Fort Wayne, Indiana - WISE 33 (CW) channel - Sunday 6:30 A.M.

LIFE DEFENDERS ADULT WORKSHOP FORT WAYNE—A Pro-Life Apologetics Workshop is being held Saturday, November 14th, 9 AM-noon, at First Assembly of God, 1400 W Washington Center Rd, Fort Wayne. Led by Mike Spencer of Project LifeVoice, you'll learn to speak confidently & graciously to the most pressing moral injustice of our time: legalized abortion. Cost is \$5; Coffee and doughnuts provided. For more information please visit: www.ichooselife.org/ldaw.



What Doctor Luther Says:

About Our Resurrection at Christ's Return

This is what will happen, he says: "We who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, shall not precede those who have fallen asleep" [I Thess. 4:17]. This is a paraphrase, spoken in a roundabout way, but, briefly, what it says is that we shall all go thither together at the same time, both those who have died previously and those who have lived until Christ's coming and that thus all will soar up together in an instant and see one another again. It says, therefore, that we who may still be living will not see the Lord Christ any sooner than those who have died, even though we shall be drawn upward with open eyes and still be living in the body, whereas the others have long since decayed and, to our minds, become nothing, and even though it would seem that we, who are still living, would be the first and would see the Lord much sooner than the dead. But he would have it that the dead would all rise with us in the same moment and have eyes as pure and fine as ours to see as well as we do. ...

He therefore will do the same with Christians that he did with Christ, whom he raised up from the locked and sealed grave in the twinkling of an eye, so that in the selfsame moment he was in it and out of it. So in the last moment he will bring together both us who are still living in our five senses, and all who are decomposed, pulverized, and scattered throughout the world, and we and they together will be caught up to heaven, soaring in the clouds (as he says later), lighter than the birds [cf. I Cor. 15:39] and more beautiful than the sun [cf. I Cor. 15:41], and the heavens will be so full of light and splendor that all the light and splendor of the sun and all the stars will be as nothing compared with it, and we shall see neither sun nor stars for the light and splendor of Christ and his angels and saints.

Luther's Works, 51:252.



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Rev. Dr. Ryan Peterson

Chief Administrative Officer at Concordia University, Ann Arbor, MI



Rev. Dr. Ryan Peterson serves as Vice President of Administration and Chief Campus Executive at Concordia University Ann Arbor. Prior to serving in this role, he was the Campus Pastor at CUAA and also a pastor in the St. Louis area. He has degrees from Concordia University Wisconsin, Concordia Seminary St. Louis, and Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Ryan and his wife Kristy are blessed with four energetic kids and love camping, traveling, and experiencing the adventures of living in Pure Michigan while serving on an amazing college campus.

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REV. DR. STEVEN AND CYNTHIA SCHUMACHER

THEOLOGICAL EDUCATOR, ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) TEACHER

SERVING THE LORD IN GHANA, WEST AFRICA



Rev. Dr. Steven and Cynthia Schumacher serve the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) as missionaries in Ghana, West Africa. Steven teaches courses in Lutheran theology and serves as the dean of academics and student activities at the seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Ghana (ELCG) in Accra, Ghana. He also assists the ELCG with their deaf ministry efforts. Cynthia assists the ELCG as an English as a Second Language (ESL) teacher at their seminary.

Steven is from Concordia, Mo., and his current home congregation is Zion Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne,

Ind. He earned his bachelor's degree in industrial design technology from Central Missouri State University, Warrensburg, and his Master of Divinity and his doctorate from Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Ind. Steven served as a pastor at five different LCMS congregations in Northeast and Midwest United States. He served as the North Wisconsin District missionary to the deaf (1988-1993). Most recently, Steven served as the director of deaf ministry for Lutheran Friends of the Deaf (Mill Neck Family of Organizations) and as an adjunct professor teaching deaf ministry at Concordia, Fort Wayne. Steven enjoys woodworking, camping and spending time outdoors.

Cynthia was born in Chester, Ill., and her current home congregation is also Zion Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, Ind. She received a bachelor's degree in education, with an emphasis in early childhood education and English literature, from Concordia Teachers College, Seward, Neb. (now known as Concordia University, Nebraska). Cynthia enjoys sewing, crafts, gardening and reading.

Pray for Steven and Cynthia as they serve in Ghana. Pray that God gives them safety as they live in the village of Saasabi, Greater Accra, Ghana. Ask God to give them peace and understanding as they live in a different culture and minister to the local people and the ELCG seminary students. Pray that God daily gives them wisdom and insight as they teach and help prepare men for the Holy Ministry. Pray for the students who receive their instruction that their hearts and minds are open to God's Word. Pray for the people of Ghana who learn of the Gospel through the missionary work that is done in this country. Pray for Steven and Cynthia's children and their families as they remain in the United States. Let us give thanks that the Schumachers are serving God's children in this part of the world.

• **BIRTHDAYS:** Steven – July 4, Cynthia – Aug. 11

• **ANNIVERSARY:** Aug. 7

• **HOME DISTRICT:** Indiana

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