

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL SAINTS

9:00 am Sunday, November 7, 2021

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!**

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.

Invocation

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

Entrance Hymn Saints, See the Cloud..... Burgundy Hymn 667

The Rite of Holy Baptism (The Lutheran Formula of 1526)

Kyrie

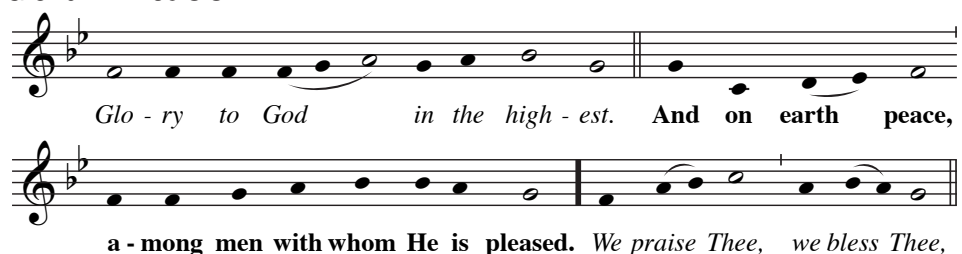


Ky - ri - e _____ e - lei-son. Lord, have mer - cy.

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,

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
Fort Wayne, Indiana

The Office of
The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

The Lutheran Formula of 1526

Callahan James Muehl

*Son of Tyler Mark and Rachel Sarah Muehl
Born October 18, 2021*

*Reborn into Christ this Feast of All Saints (transferred)
November 7, 2021*

*Sponsors: Zachary & Laikyn Muehl
Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, Indiana
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Ashley & Alex Graf
Ascension of Christ Lutheran, Beverly Hills, Michigan*

**Saints, see the cloud of witnesses surround us;
Their lives of faith encourage and astound us.
Hear how the Master praised their faith so fervent:
“Well done, My servant!”**

**These saints of old received God’s commendation;
They lived as pilgrim-heirs of His salvation.
Through faith they conquered flame and sword and gallows,
God’s name to hallow.**

**They call to us, “Your timid footsteps lengthen;
Throw off sin’s weight, your halting weakness strengthen.
We kept the faith, we shed our blood, were martyred;
Our lives we bartered.”**

**Come, let us fix our sight on Christ who suffered,
He faced the cross, His sinless life He offered;
He scorned the shame, He died, our death enduring,
Our hope securing.**

**Lord, give us faith to walk where You are sending,
On paths unmarked, eyes blind as to their ending;
Not knowing where we go, but that You lead us—
With grace precede us.**

**You, Jesus, You alone deserve all glory!
Our lives unfold, embraced within Your story;
Past, present, future— You, the same forever—
You fail us never!**

MARTIN LUTHER’S ADMONITION TO THE BAPTISMAL PARTY AND THE CONGREGATION

“In all Christian earnestness I would ask all those who administer baptism, who hold the children, or witness it, to take this wonderful work to heart in all its seriousness. For here, in the words of these prayers, you hear how meekly and earnestly the Christian church concerns herself about the little child and how he confesses before God in plain undoubting words that he is possessed by the devil and is a child of sin and wrath, and prays very diligently for aid and grace through baptism that he becomes a child of God. Remember, therefore, that it is no joke to take sides against the devil and not only to drive him away from the little child, but to burden the child with such a mighty and lifelong enemy. Remember, too, that it is very necessary to aid the poor child with all your heart and strong faith, earnestly to intercede for him that God, in accordance with this prayer, would not only free him from the power of the devil, but also strengthen him, so that he may nobly resist the devil in life and death.

I suspect that people turn out so badly after baptism because our concern for them has been so cold and careless; we, at their baptism, interceded for them without zeal. . . . See to it, therefore, that you are present in true faith, listen to God’s Word, and earnestly join in prayer. For when the pastor says, “Let us pray,” he is exhorting you to unite with him in prayer. And all sponsors and the others present should repeat with him the words of his prayer in their hearts to God, . . . carrying the little child’s need before God most earnestly, setting themselves against the devil with all their strength on behalf of the child, and showing that they realize this is no joke as far as the devil is concerned. For this reason it is right and proper . . . to treat the matter with seriousness and true faith, lest the holy sacrament be made a mockery for the devil and an insult to God, who through it showers us with the abundant and infinite riches of his grace. He himself calls it a new birth by which we are being freed from all the devil’s tyranny, loosed from sin, death, and hell, and become children of life, heirs of all the gifts of God, God’s own children, and brethren of Christ.

Ah, dear Christians, let us not value and administer this unspeakable gift so indolently and indifferently; for baptism is our only comfort and admits to every blessing of God and to the communion of all the saints. To this may God help us! Amen!”

+ THE OFFICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

[*The baptismal party gathers at the baptismal font
during the Processional Hymn*]

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

+ THE EXORCISM +

[The Lutheran Church retained The Exorcism from the historic baptismal rite because of the Biblical doctrine of original sin. “It is taught among us that since the fall of Adam all men who are born according to the course of nature are conceived and born in sin. That is, all men are full of evil lust and inclinations from their mothers’ wombs and are unable by nature to have true fear of God and true faith in God.”]

[*To the candidate*]

*Depart O unclean spirit and make room for the Holy Spirit!
Receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your mind ✠ and
upon your heart ✠ to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the
crucified..... Amen!*

[To the congregation]

*Let us pray: O Almighty eternal God, who according to Your righteous judgment did condemn the unbelieving world through the flood; and in your great mercy did preserve believing Noah and his family; and who did drown hardhearted Pharaoh with all his host in the Red Sea and did lead your people Israel through the same on dry ground, thereby prefiguring this bath of your baptism; and who through the baptism of Your dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, has consecrated and set apart the Jordan and all water as a salutary flood and a rich and full washing away for sins: We pray through Your same boundless mercy that You will graciously behold this **Callahan James Muehl**, and bless him with true faith in his spirit so that by means of this saving flood all that has been born in him from Adam, and which he himself has added thereto, may be drowned in him and engulfed, and that he may be sundered from the number of the unbelieving, preserved dry and secure in the holy ark of Christendom, and serve Your name at all times fervent in spirit and joyful in hope, so that with all believers he may be made worthy to attain eternal life according to Your promise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen!***

[To the candidate]

*I adjure you, O unclean spirit, by the name of the Father ✠ and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit ✠ that you come out of and depart from this servant of Jesus Christ, **Callahan James Muehl**. **Amen!***

+ THE WORD OF GOD +

[God does bring blessings to those who are baptized, including infants: "It is taught among us that Baptism is necessary and that grace is offered through it. Children, too, should be baptized, for in Baptism they are committed to God and become acceptable to him."]

*The Holy Gospel of St. Mark.....**Glory be to You, O Lord!***

And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them; and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God like a little child, he shall not enter therein." And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them [Mark 10:13-16].

*This is the Gospel of the Lord!**Praise be to You, O Christ!***

+ THE OUR FATHER and THE BLESSING +

[In Holy Baptism, God is at work. It is a Sacrament, a divine activity, through which He gives His blessing: "Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's Word."]

[We pray together for God's blessing on the candidates]

Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen!

[To the candidate]

*The Lord preserve your going out and coming in now and forevermore. **Amen!***

+ THE CONFESSION OF THE FAITH +

[Baptism is based on the command and promise of Christ, who causes Baptism to bring saving grace to the candidates by the power of the Word: "It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare."]

[*To the sponsors, the parents, and the congregation*]

Because this candidate cannot answer for himself, we shall all, together with sponsors and parents, speak in testimony of the forgiveness of sin and the birth of the life of faith which God our Father bestows upon this candidate in and through Baptism:

Do you renounce the devil? I do renounce him!
and all his works? I do renounce them!
and all his ways? I do renounce them!

Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son?

Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

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

Do you desire to be a baptized and forgiven person? I do!

+ THE BAPTISM IN THE NAME OF THE HOLY TRINITY +

[Through Holy Baptism poor sinners are adopted into God's family in the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit: "Without God's Word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the Word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit."]

Callahan James Muehl, I baptize you in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit! Amen!

[*To the newly baptized and all the baptized here present*]

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you new birth through water and the Holy Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life everlasting! Amen!

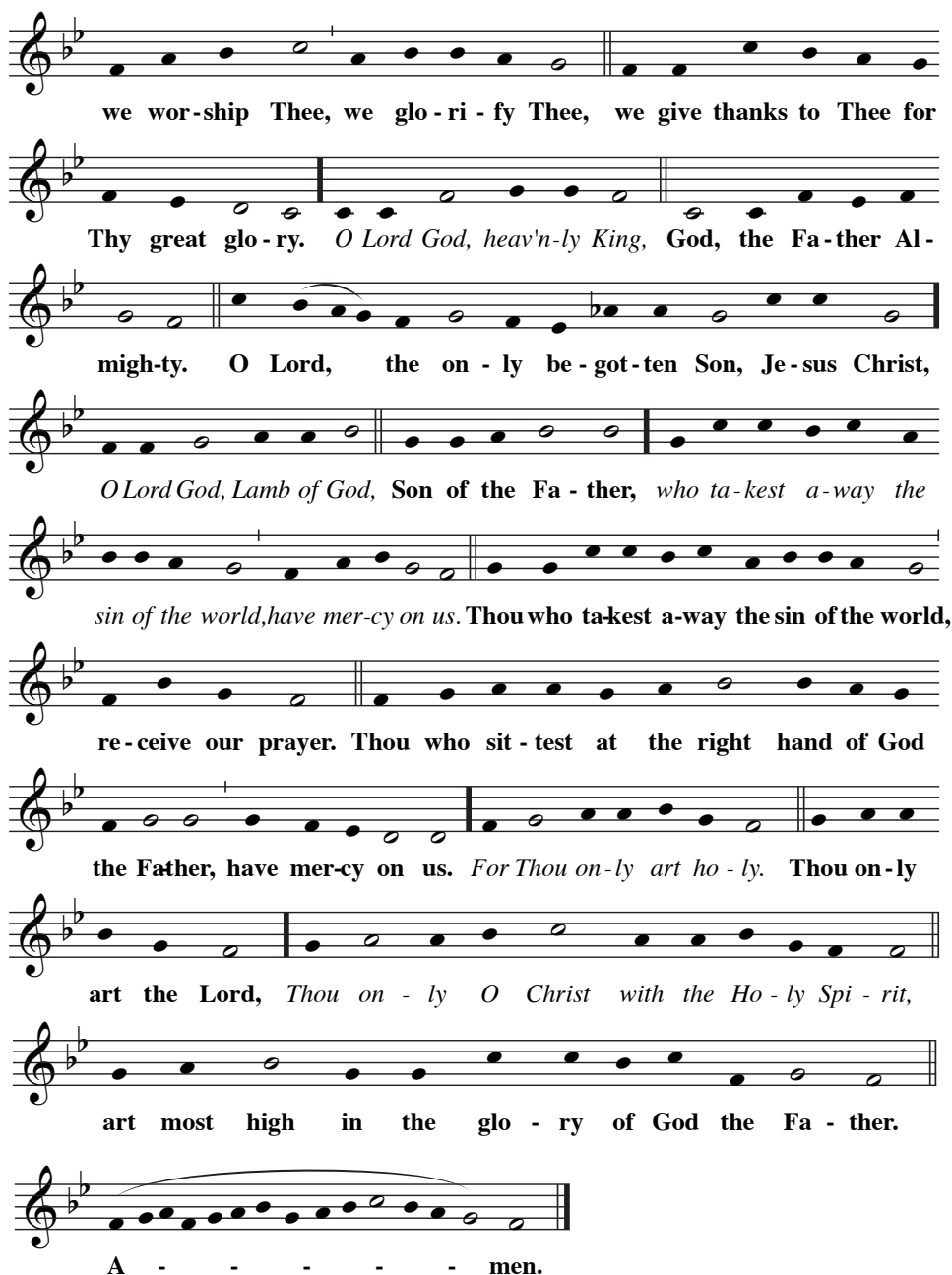
Peace be with you! Amen!

[*The baptismal party returns to the pews*]

+ A FINAL NOTE FOR BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS +

"What does such baptizing with water indicate? It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever."


[Explanatory notes contain quotations from two primary statements of what Lutherans believe, teach and confess: The Augsburg Confession, and Luther's Small Catechism.]



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 Commemoration of All Saints: *Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*



A ——— men!

[Be Seated]

+ The Office of the Word of God +

First Reading..... **Revelation 7:2-17**

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

Epistle of the Day **1 John 3:1-3**

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

[Rise]

Sequence Hymn **We Know that Christ** **Burgundy Hymn 603**

Holy Gospel **St. Matthew 5:1-12**

[The Gospel is announced.]



Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord!

[The Gospel is proclaimed.]



Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

[After the Gospel has been returned to the Altar, the congregation is seated.]

Hymn of the Day **For All the Saints** **Burgundy Hymn 677**

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

[Be seated] **Sermon**

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

[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**

Choral Voluntary **"The Body in the Grave We Lay"** **J. Brahms**

[The text to the anthem is found in the RED Hymnal 596.]

[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.

Lift up your hearts.

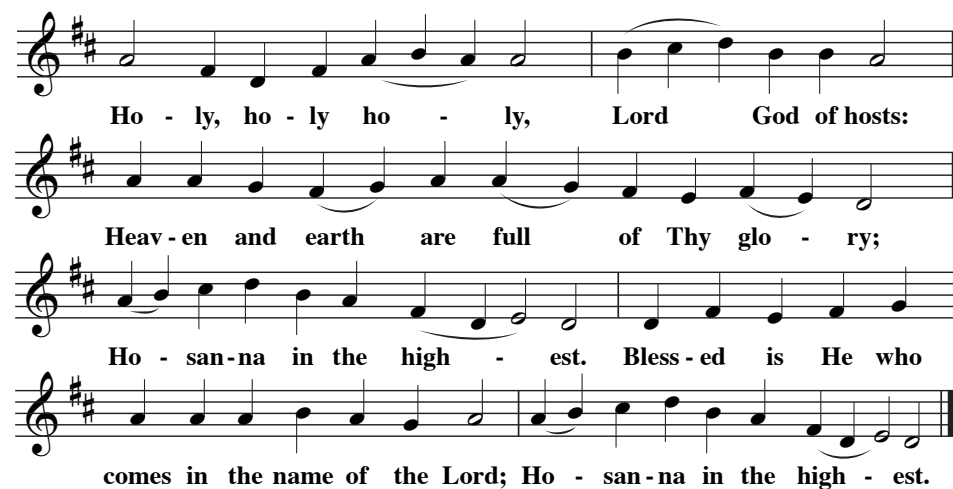


Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



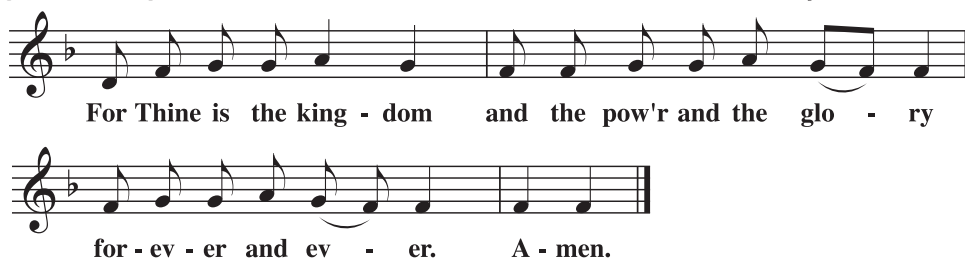
Proper Preface for All Saints' Day, Sanctus

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.*

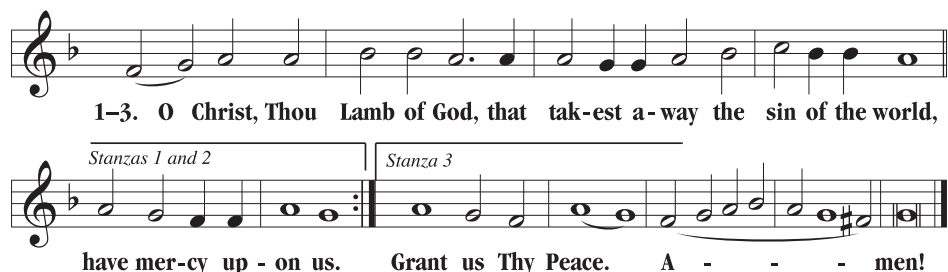


Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



Agnus Dei



[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns Oh, How Blest Are They Burgundy Hymn 679

Behold a Host Burgundy Hymn 676

Oh, What Their Joy Burgundy Hymn 675

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



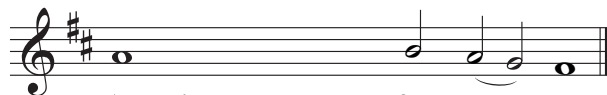
4. Glo— ry__ be to the
Father, and to__ the __ Son, and to the Ho— ly Ghost.



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.



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 Church of God Burgundy Hymn 646

Postlude

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Readings for the Feast of All Saints

The First Reading is Revelation 7:2-17

Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads." And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,
12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,
12,000 from the tribe of Gad,
12,000 from the tribe of Asher,
12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,
12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,
12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,
12,000 from the tribe of Levi,
12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,
12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,
12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,
12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"Therefore they are before the throne of God,
and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.
They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;
the sun shall not strike them,
nor any scorching heat.

For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of living water,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

The Epistle is 1 John 3:1-3

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we will be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

The Gospel is Matthew 5:1-12

Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Hymns for the Feast of All Saints

LSB667 Saints, See the Cloud of Witnesses

Stephen P. Starke

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1. Saints, see the cloud of witnesses surround us;
Their lives of faith encourage and astound us.
Hear how the Master praised their faith so fervent:
“Well done, My servant!”
2. These saints of old received God’s commendation;
They lived as pilgrim-heirs of His salvation.
Through faith they conquered flame and sword and gallows,
God’s name to hallow.
3. They call to us, “Your timid footsteps lengthen;
Throw off sin’s weight, your halting weakness strengthen.
We kept the faith, we shed our blood, were martyred;
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4. Come, let us fix our sight on Christ who suffered,
He faced the cross, His sinless life He offered;
He scorned the shame, He died, our death enduring,
Our hope securing.
5. Lord, give us faith to walk where You are sending,
On paths unmarked, eyes blind as to their ending;
Not knowing where we go, but that You lead us—
With grace precede us.
6. You, Jesus, You alone deserve all glory!
Our lives unfold, embraced within Your story;
Past, present, future—You, the same forever—
You fail us never!

LSB603 We Know That Christ Is Raised

John B. Geyer

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1. We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
Embraced by death, He broke its fearful hold;
And our despair He turned to blazing joy. Alleluia!
2. We share by water in His saving death.
Reborn, we share with Him an Easter life
As living members of a living Christ. Alleluia!

3. The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life.
The Spirit's power shakes the Church of God.
Baptized, we live with God the Three in One. Alleluia!

LSB677 For All the Saints

William W. How

1. For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
2. Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- M 3. Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old
And win with them the victor's crown of gold! Alleluia! Alleluia!
- W 4. Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- M 5. And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- W 6. The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
7. But lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of glory passes on His way. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- △ 8. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!

LSB679 Oh, How Blest Are They

Simon Dach

1. Oh, how blest are they whose toils are ended,
Who through death have unto God ascended!
They have arisen From the cares which keep us still in prison.
2. We are still as in a dungeon living,
Still oppressed with sorrow and misgiving;
Our undertakings Are but toils and troubles and heartbreakings.

- 3.They meanwhile are in their chambers sleeping,
Quiet and set free from all our weeping;
No cross or sadness There can hinder their untroubled gladness.
- 4.Christ has wiped away their tears forever;
They have that for which we still endeavor,
By them are chanted Songs that ne’er to mortal ears were granted.
- 5.Come, O Christ, and loose the chains that bind us;
Lead us forth and cast this world behind us.
With You, the Anointed, Finds the soul its joy and rest appointed.

LSB676 Behold a Host, Arrayed in White

Hans Adolf Brorson

1. Behold a host, arrayed in white,
Like thousand snow-clad mountains bright!
With palms they stand; Who is this band Before the throne of light?
These are the saints of glorious fame,
Who from the great affliction came
And in the flood Of Jesus’ blood Are cleansed from guilt and shame.
They now serve God both day and night;
They sing their songs in endless light.
Their anthems ring As they all sing With angels shining bright.
2. Despised and scorned, they sojourned here;
But now, how glorious they appear!
Those martyrs stand, A priestly band, God’s throne forever near.
On earth they wept through bitter years;
Now God has wiped away their tears,
Transformed their strife To heav’nly life, And freed them from their fears.
They now enjoy the Sabbath rest,
The heav’nly banquet of the blest;
The Lamb, their Lord, At festal board Himself is host and guest.
3. O blessed saints in bright array
Now safely home in endless day,
Extol the Lord, Who with His Word Sustained you on the way.
The steep and narrow path you trod;
You toiled and sowed the Word abroad;
Rejoice and bring Your fruits and sing Before the throne of God.
The myriad angels raise their song;
O saints, sing with that happy throng!
Lift up one voice; Let heav’n rejoice In our Redeemer’s song!

LSB675 Oh, What Their Joy

Peter Abelard

1. Oh, what their joy and their glory must be,
Those endless Sabbaths the blessed ones see!
Crowns for the valiant, to weary ones rest;
God shall be all, and in all ever blest.
2. In new Jerusalem joy shall be found,
Blessings of peace shall forever abound;
Wish and fulfillment are not severed there,
Nor the things prayed for come short of the prayer.
3. We, where no troubles distraction can bring,
Safely the anthems of Zion shall sing;
While for Your grace, Lord, their voices of praise
Your blessed people shall evermore raise.
- △ 4. Now let us worship our Lord and our King,
Joyfully raising our voices to sing:
Praise to the Father, and praise to the Son,
Praise to the Spirit, to God, Three in One.

LSB646 Church of God, Elect and Glorious

James Edward Seddon

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1. Church of God, elect and glorious, Holy nation, chosen race;
Called as God's own special people, Royal priests and heirs of grace:
Know the purpose of your calling, Show to all His mighty deeds;
Tell of love that knows no limits, Grace that meets all human needs.
2. God has called you out of darkness Into His most marv'lous light;
Brought His truth to life within you, Turned your blindness into sight.
Let your light so shine around you That God's name is glorified
And all find fresh hope and purpose In Christ Jesus crucified.
3. Once you were an alien people, Strangers to God's heart of love;
But He brought you home in mercy, Citizens of heav'n above.
Let His love flow out to others, Let them feel a Father's care;
That they too may know His welcome And His countless blessings share.
4. Church of God, elect and holy, Be the people He intends;
Strong in faith and swift to answer Each command your Master sends:
Royal priests, fulfill your calling Through your sacrifice and prayer;
Give your lives in joyful service—Sing His praise, His love declare.

The Feast of All Saints



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

2313 Hanna Street, Fort Wayne, IN 46803260-744-1389

pastor@zionfw.org, church@zionfw.org | website: www.zionfw.org

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

Senior Pastor

Rev. Douglas D. Punke, MDiv (341-5397)

Field Worker:

Erik Saunders, Patrick Jackson

The Teaching Staff At Lutheran South Unity

Sheila Nehrenz, Principal (744-0459)

Teachers:

Gene Koch, Yvonne Schwantz, Barry Chrzan,

Danielle Ramsey, Merideth Tourney, Dawn Gill

John Fink, Hannah Maresh, Cathie Wakeland, Natalie Reynolds

The Support Staff

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 Erik Saunders and Patrick Jackson
- + For our nation; for our leaders, our military, including Trevor Manning and James Hall, and our health care workers
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School, Concordia Lutheran High School, and Concordia Theological Seminary
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound, including Jackie Schieferstein, Juanita Moore, Everett Beck, Helen Russell, Cheryl Silvers, and Doris Yerger
- + For those who are near death, especially Fred Hill
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Stan Goglein, Kathy Vlot, Josefa Schapher, Willodean Bates, Kevin Leininger, Julie Ganaway, Paul Dolde, Walt Ostermeyer, Sherry Freeman, Jeff Springer, Gloria Gonzalez, Willie Manning, Lucille Brandt, Connie Meyer, Dick Hollman, John Weber, Louisa Porter, Louise Petrillo, Marianne Billings, Maurice King, Ron Rastl, and Marlow Hogan
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages, including Maribeth & Kevin Leininger
- + For the gift of life and for length of days
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit, especially Callahan Muehl
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones, especially the John Weber family
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed
- + 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 Divine Service for All Saint's Day. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of the 37th wedding anniversary of Maribeth & Kevin Leininger. 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 7, 2021 thru November 13, 2021

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
	10:30 AM	Junior Catechesis	Conference Room
	10:30 AM	Sunday School (little ones)	Asst Pastor's Office
	1:30 PM	Bach Collegium Rehearsal	Church
	7:00 PM	Bach Collegium Concert	Church
MON.	12:30 PM	CLHS Pastor's & Delegate Meeting	CLHS
TUES.	9:30 AM	FW South Circuit	Trinity, Decatur Rd
	7:00 PM	Elders Council	Conference Room
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion	Conference Room
	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Church
THURS.			
FRI.	5:30 PM	Lammert Hrehov Wedding Rehearsal	Church
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church
	3:00 PM	Miles Lammert & Annie Hrehov Wedding	Church

November 14, 2021

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
	10:30 AM	Junior Catechesis	Conference Room
	10:30 AM	Sunday School (little ones)	Asst Pastor's Office

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: Join Dr. Voelz for his continuing study of the Gospel according to St. Mark. Junior Catechesis meets in the Conference Room. Sunday School for the little ones begins this Sunday and will meet in the Assistant Pastor's Office in the office area.

BACH COLLEGIUM OPENING NIGHT 20TH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT is tonight here at Zion, 7:00 PM. The cost is \$25. Visit bachcollegium.org events to buy your ticket.

INVITATION The congregation is invited to the wedding of Miles Lammert to Annie Hrehov at 3 PM, this Saturday, November 13, 2021, at Zion. Please join the young couple, their families and friends as they are united as one in Holy Matrimony.

NOVEMBER 30TH is giving Tuesday. All gifts given to Zion on this day will be used where they are needed the most here at Zion.

FOOD CO-OP INGATHERING: the table is set and we are asking you to contribute to the CTS Food Co-op during the months November and December. These food items and gift cards are helpful to assist the students and their families enjoy their holiday season. We will collect these items from now until Wed., Dec. 15th. As usual, a brown paper bag and list are available.

COVID-19 UPDATE AT ZION: *Please read this update if you want information on COVID. I'm not making oral comments regarding COVID unless some protocol needs changing.* Allen County remains in orange on the State's coronavirus website with a two-metric score of 2.0. With the website being updated so slowly, it has become more difficult to predict trends. Our positivity rate has been in the low 8% to high 7% range for two weeks. We're treading water. Similarly with regard to the weekly cases per 100,000 residents. That metric has been hovering around 220 to 210 for the last two weeks (229 today). District hospitalizations have spiked up a bit; ICU bed usage is steady. Average number of daily deaths due to COVID remains 1. The Delta variant is the culprit for 99.2% of the infections. The percentages of breakthrough infections, hospitalizations, and deaths are now 1.672%, 0.035%, and 0.017%, respectively. The breakthroughs continue to affect seniors the most (89% of deaths) with the average age of breakthrough deaths now at 78. Vaccines remain the best way to get this pandemic under control. Get your vaccination if your health permits it. The state Vaccine website is now tracking booster shots, and a significant number of those have been administered. Boosters are now available for all three authorized vaccines if you're eligible. Visit www.coronavirus.in.gov/vaccine/ for your eligibility.

SPEAKER AND ELEVATOR The speaker array has been sent to the manufacturer to engineer and install a special board. We're still looking at the week of November 15 for installation. About the elevator, KONE came in on Tuesday hopeful, but left with hope unfulfilled. The tech needed to check with the engineer for more hints/leads.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE This week's memory verse reminds us of the accusatory nature of the law: James 2:10 — "For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it." Last week's verse was Acts 4:12.

LIFE DEFENDERS WORKSHOP Learn how to make the Case for Life on Saturday, November 13, 9 am to Noon, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Auburn, 1801 N Main St, Auburn, IN. Visit www.ichooselife.org/ldw for more info, or call 260-471-1849. Cost is \$5.

CULTIVATING RESILIENCE AFTER TRAUMA: Zion Lutheran Church Friedheim will be hosting a two-hour seminar at their Family Life Center (10655 N – 550 W Decatur, IN) on Tuesday, November 23, beginning with a meal at 6 p.m. and the presentation starting at 6:30 p.m. Reservation may be made by contacting Joe Gorman by cell at 260.706.0999 or by e-mail at preblegormans@gmail.com. The reservation deadline is Sunday, November 14. There is no charge for the meal; however, a free-will donation may be received to offset the cost of the meal.

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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

DAILY LECTIONARY

Evening Prayer

Mark 5:1-12

Feast of All Saint

Revelation 7:2-17

Matthew 24:29-51

Monday

Jeremiah 20:1-18

Matthew 25:1-13

Tuesday

Jeremiah 22:1-23

Matthew 25:14-30

Wednesday

Jeremiah 23:1-20

Matthew 25:31-46

Thursday

Jeremiah 23:21-40

Matthew 26:1-19

Friday

Jeremiah 25:1-18

Matthew 26:20-35

Saturday

Jeremiah 26:1-19

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 Your 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 Your 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 Your 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 Your 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 Your 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 Your 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 Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Daily]

The Our Father

TO PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Daniel 12:1-3

Hebrews 10:11-25

Mark 13:1-13



What Doctor Luther Says:

About Who Should Be Called a Saint

I am glad and thank God that He has given me in superabundant measure what I once asked as a monk. I have seen, not one saint but many, in fact, numberless true saints, not the sophistical sort but the kind Christ and the apostles depict and describe. And by the grace of God I am one of them; for I am baptized and believe that Christ, my Lord, has redeemed me from sins by His death and has given me an eternal righteousness and holiness. And accursed be he who does not accord Christ the honor of believing that he is justified and sanctified by His death, Word, and Sacraments.

Let us, then, reject the stupid and godless notion about the term “saints” according to which we imagined that the word was fitting only for the saints in heaven and for hermits and monks on earth who had performed certain extraordinary works. Let us now learn from Holy Scripture that all believers in Christ are saints.

What Luther Says, #3992.

Saints of Zion Lutheran Church Called Home to Christ in the Past Church Year



*Be faithful unto death,
and I will give you the crown of life.
Revelation 2:10*

William "Bill" Knipstein, Jr.

Born January 9, 1927

Reborn into Christ January 30, 1927

Called home to his Savior November 6, 2020

*Living 93 years, 9 months, and 29 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!*

Mildred "Millie" Bartels

Born June 24, 1925

Reborn into Christ July 16, 1925

Called home to her Savior December 6, 2020

*Living 95 years, 5 months, and 13 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!*

Ralph "Tubby" Beck

Born December 8, 1932

Reborn into Christ December 13, 1964

Called home to his Savior December 13, 2020

*Living 88 years and 6 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!*

Doloris "Puddy" Beck

Born June 10, 1935

Reborn into Christ June 30, 1935

Called home to her Savior March 3, 2021

*Living 85 years, 8 months, and 24 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!*

Marcianna Parker

Born May 19, 1946

Reborn into Christ

Called home to her Savior March 9, 2021

*Living 74 years, 9 months, and 22 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!*

Marcile Dorothea Keck
Born February 14, 1927
Reborn into Christ March 13, 1927
Called home to her Savior May 21, 2021
Living 94 years, 3 months, and 8 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!

Jill Elaine Stokes
Born July 6, 1943
Reborn into Christ
Called home to her Savior June 9, 2021
Living 77 years, 11 months, and 4 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!

Kristie LaShay Roberson
Born July 4, 1977
Reborn into Christ July 28, 1985
Called home to her Savior September 18, 2021
Living 44 years, 2 months, and 15 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!

Desmond E. Crumpacker
Born March 8, 1979
Reborn into Christ
Called home to his Savior September 22, 2021
Living 42 years, 6 months, and 15 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!

JESUS SAID,

“ON ACCOUNT OF ME, YOU WILL STAND”

MARK 13:1-13

Lecture Tour by Bishop Juhana Pohjola

On August 1, 2021, Rev. Dr. Juhana Pohjola was consecrated Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Mission Diocese of Finland. He enters the role at a challenging time: Bishop Pohjola faces criminal charges in Finland for his role in publishing a 2004 booklet which articulates historic Christian teaching on human sexuality.

Should it be illegal to identify homosexual activity as sinful? That's the question facing Bishop Pohjola now, seventeen years after the booklet was first published. He and the booklet's author, Dr. Päivi Räsänen (a Finnish Member of Parliament), have been charged by Finland's Prosecutor General with "incitement against a group of people."



What can we learn from Bishop Pohjola's story? How should we respond to a world that is increasingly intolerant of Christian beliefs? And what does Scripture have to say to us about being persecuted on account of our faith in Christ? Come hear Bishop Pohjola in person to find out.



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St. Paul's Lutheran Church

1126 Barr Street, Fort Wayne, Indiana

Saturday, November 13, 2021

Pohjola Lecture: 9:30-10:45 A.M.

Choral Matins: 10:45-11:30 A.M.



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO

Let the Children Come

Recognition & Recruiting members for the Phoenix Fund Program

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2021

CASH BAR OPENS AT 5:30 PM

DINNER IS SERVED AT 6:15 PM

LIGHT ENTERTAINMENT

GUEST SPEAKER:

Rev. Lewis A. King
URBAN MINISTRIES



Growing up in Fort Wayne, Lewis A. King felt called to be a pastor. In 2018 he graduated from Concordia Theological Seminary. Today he serves as the Mission Director of Northeast Indiana Neighborhood Engagement and Pastor of Urban Outreach at Holy Cross Lutheran Church.

Pastor King also is the coordinator of Fort Wayne United's Ten Point Coalition, which works to implement strategies to reduce violence and improve the quality of life in neighborhoods through education, and community partnerships. He has been involved since 2018.

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Please return card to: Lutheran South Unity School
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Fort Wayne, IN 46807

You can also simply register online at www.LSUSFW.org

Just click on the RSVP for Let the Children Come button.

If you have any questions please call Lutheran South Unity School (260) 744-0459

LSUS NOTES

Praying for You!



Please pray for these students/staff:

La'Bella Jones

Joey Bendit

Ayden Girton

Miasha Gray

Ny'Omee Simmons

Ja'Mear Cryer-Morgan

Alex Love

Curtis Bland

Conor Collentine

CLHS Math and Science Adventure

Several of our 7th and 8th graders participated in the Math and Science Adventure hosted by CLHS Thursday evening. The students competed in different events against other Lutheran school students. They did great and came back with the following standings:

Pictures Only: 3rd—Jayla & Jaz

Build It Again: 2nd—Sofie & Jayla; 3rd—Myante & Jalasha

Got A Clue: 3rd—Aiden & Jayland; 5th—Michael

Scavenger Hunt: 3rd—Curtis & Khang Ye; 4th—Malaniah & Jaz

Quiz Bowl: 1st—Michael, Sophie & Khang Ye

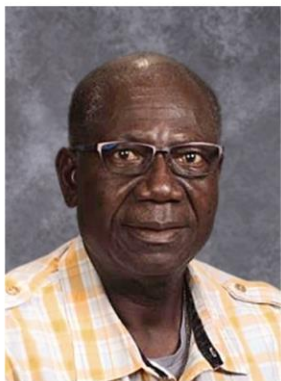
3rd—Aiden, Jalasha, Malaniah & Myante

Overall Rank: 5th—Aiden, Jayland, Myante, Jalasha, Jaz, Malaniah & Curtis

**Congratulations to
everyone who
participated!**



Meet The Staff



Do you have any questions about computer technology at LSUS?

Baysah J. Korti is the person you will want to see. He is the **Technology Coordinator at LSUS**. He has worked at the school in this position since 2011.

Mr. Korti earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Information Technology (Engineering). He also has earned manufactures certificate from IBM, Wang, NCR, Burroughs, and Microsoft Network Engineering.

His previous work experience was at ARC from 2002 – 2011. Before that he worked at SLPA, Sierra Leone Ports Authority. He was there from 1993 – 2001. For one year, he worked at NCR (National Cash Register). Then from 1985 - 1990, Mr. Korti worked at USAID, United States Agency for International Development. He started his technology career at F and F Electronics.

In Mr. Korti's spare time he loves to garden and listen to jazz music. He and his wife have been blessed with six children.

Virtual Walk Through Our Halls

If you miss seeing the bulletin boards full of art from your students just go to our website **www.LSUSFW.org** click on the "Connect" tab at the top and select "A Walk Through Our Halls" You will see all the art that has been up in the hallways this year so far by class! Remember you can also find newsletters, calendars and other info on our website!

Encouragement Found in Scriptures:

Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will Come and save you."—Isaiah 35:4



Concordia Lutheran High School

It's time.

And it's a new time

It's a time to make things right

There is new leadership at Concordia Lutheran High School. And thanks to an anonymous challenge gift from a member of Zion, we are given an opportunity to continue an effort to make things right and remove a long-standing debt of Zion's and make things new between Zion and CLHS.



At our August Congregational Assembly, the group assigned \$10,000 to a long-standing \$72,082.67 debt owed to Concordia Lutheran High School. This debt was incurred over a number of years more than a decade ago and has remained a liability for our congregation and a sore in our relationship with Concordia Lutheran High School. August's meeting was a step in the right direction in making things new.

Now, our congregation has been challenged with a fantastic opportunity. Generous donors have challenged us with a \$10,000 match to continue our work in removing this debt. Contributions made to this project from September 1 through November 30 will be matched up to \$10,000. We are greatly thankful for this challenge and look forward to how we step up to meet this challenge to make things right with Concordia Lutheran High School.

Use the special contribution envelopes marked "Debt Elimination Challenge" to make your gift toward eliminating this debt to CLHS.

Greater **LOVE** has no one than
this, that someone **LAY DOWN** his
LIFE for his friends

(JOHN 15:13)



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Ministry to the Armed Forces

"GREATER LOVE HAS NO ONE THAN THIS, THAT SOMEONE LAY DOWN HIS LIFE FOR HIS FRIENDS"

(JOHN 15:13).

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The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) continues to have chaplains and their families stationed throughout the world, with several deployed in harm's way, to provide pastoral care and Word and Sacrament ministry to the brave men and women serving our nation. When you read Jesus' words in John 15, you automatically think of sacrificial love — someone who loves someone or something so much that they would be willing to lay down their own life. We shall never forget the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice on the altar of freedom. They have selflessly put others before themselves.

Brave young men and women continue to answer their nation's call to serve in the Armed Forces. They take an oath that they will, if necessary, lay down their life for their country and those who serve beside them. Yet, more importantly, we hear these words of Jesus and immediately focus on our Lord and Savior, who fulfilled His own words. There is no greater love than Jesus. Jesus is love. Jesus willingly laid down His life for us. John 3:16 reminds us that God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son to suffer and die on the cross to pay for the sins of the world.

Your LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces (MAF) exists to proclaim that life-giving Gospel message of God's love in Jesus. We work tirelessly to recruit, train, equip and support LCMS pastors to serve as military chaplains. We strive to maintain contact with all LCMS members who serve in the

Armed Forces to ensure they have access and support to receive Word and Sacrament ministry. MAF is ever vigilant to ensure that our service members are able to maintain their freedom to be faithful to God and their conscience, and that their religious liberty is protected. In addition, we often touch the lives of those who aren't Lutheran with the Gospel, as they read our Christ-centered devotional materials or hear our chaplains preach Christ and Him crucified.

The work of MAF is empowered solely by gracious people, just like you, who help to bring that message of the true sacrificial love of God in Christ to the brave men and women serving in the Armed Forces. Your generous and sacrificial act of love through your contribution to MAF will ensure that our service members and their families have access to Gospel-centered materials and the support of LCMS chaplains.

In these challenging times, please prayerfully consider making a gift to LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces. I thank you for the blessings and sacrifices you provide for this vital ministry.

In Christ's Service,



Chaplain Craig G. Muehler
CAPT, CHC, USN (Ret.)
Director, LCMS Ministry to
the Armed Forces

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Please detach this envelope and send reply slip with your gift today. Include "MAF" on the memo section of your check.



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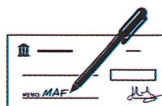
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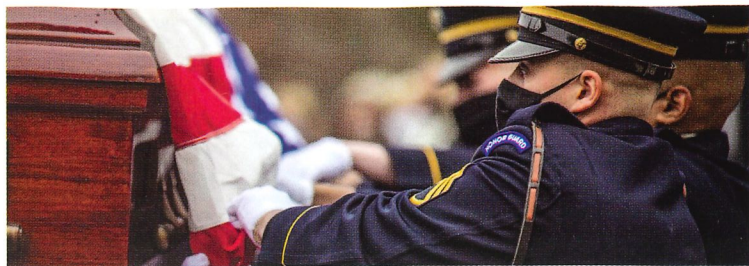
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- » **HELP SUPPORT THE RECRUITING, TRAINING AND ENDORSING** of our LCMS military chaplains. We have numerous chaplains who serve on active duty, the Reserve component, the National Guard, the Civil Air Patrol and the Coast Guard auxiliary. Your gift will ensure they receive valuable Lutheran resources, training and support.
- » **HELP PROTECT THE RELIGIOUS LIBERTY** of our chaplains and LCMS military members. We have always been — and will continue to be — a strong advocate and defender for chaplains to preach and teach in accordance with the tenets of their faith. We work tirelessly to ensure that all military members retain their God-given right and constitutionally protected freedom of religion.
- » **HELP SUSTAIN OPERATION BARNABAS**, a network of care that trains and equips LCMS congregations and individuals to assist all military-connected people in our congregations and communities in getting the support and assistance they need. Learn how you can get involved by visiting lcms.org/operationbarnabas.
- » **HELP ENABLE THE MINISTRY-BY-MAIL PROGRAM TO CONTINUE** as we send Lutheran devotional materials and resources (including Portals of Prayer) to all Lutheran military personnel and their families stationed around the world. Please send military contact information to lcmschaps@lcms.org.
- » **HELP FACILITATE CHAPLAIN AND FAMILY WELLNESS** by funding the travel and expenses for chaplains and their wives to attend our annual training seminars. These seminars allow them to reconnect, network and receive pastoral care and support from their church — things they need and deserve.
- » **HELP GROW A SPECIAL ENDOWMENT FUND** that enables our chaplains to complete a Doctor of Ministry degree to sharpen their skills.

You can find helpful Ministry to the Armed Forces information and materials on the LCMS website at lcms.org/armedforces.



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