

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00 am Sunday, August 1, 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!*

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] *With upright heart he | shep- •herded• them || and guided them | with his skill-ful | hand.*

Verse 1: **Yet he commanded the | skies a- bove || and | •opened• the doors of | •heaven•,**

Verse 2: *and he rained down on them | •manna• to eat || and gave | them the grain of | •heaven•.*

Verse 3: **Man ate of the bread | of the •angels•; || he sent them food | in a- bun-__ | dance.**

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] **With upright heart he | shep- •herded• them || and guided them | with his skill- ful | hand.**

Kyrie



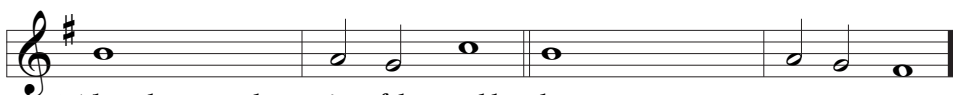
Gloria



1. *Glory be to God on high: And on earth . . . peace good will •toward• men*
2. *We praise Thee, we we glorify Thee,
bless Thee, we worship Thee, we give thanks to | Thee, for Thy great •glory•.*



3. *O Lord God, heav'n- ly King, God, the Fa- ther Al-__ •mighty•,*
4. *O Lord, the only- O Lord God,
begotten Son, Je- sus Christ; Lamb of God, . . . Son__ of the •Father•,*

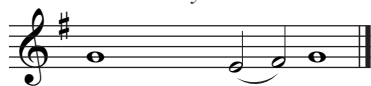


5. *That takest away the . . sin •of the• world, have mercy up - - - - - on__ us.*
6. *Thou that takest away the sin •of the • world, re - - - - - ceive our •prayer•*
7. *Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the •Father•, have mercy up - - - - - on__ us.*



8. *For Thou •only• art •holy• Thou on - - ly art the Lord.*
9. *Thou, only, O art most
Christ, with the . . . Ho - - ly Ghost; high in the | •glory• of God the •Father•. A-men.*

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir—it.

A———men!

[*Be Seated*]

+ The Office of the Word of God +

Old Testament Reading Exodus 16:2-15

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

Epistle of the Day Ephesians 4:1-16

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

[*Rise*]

Alleluia Sequence

[Deacon] Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. Alleluia!



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

Holy Gospel St. John 6:22-35

[*The Gospel is announced.*]



Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord!

[*The Gospel is proclaimed.*]



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 $\frac{1}{2}$ of the world to come. Amen!

[*Be Seated*]

Hymn of the Day Guide Me, O Thou Burgundy Hymn 918

Sermon

The Rite of Confirmation

[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] OffertoryCreate in Me a Clean Heart, O God

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

+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

Preface

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

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

Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

It is meet and right so to do.

Common Preface, Sanctus

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry; Ho - san-na Ho - san-na, Ho -
san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is He that
com-eth in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na, Ho - san-na, Ho-san-na in the highest.

[Kneel] **Lord's Prayer**

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

Musical notation for the Lord's Prayer. The melody is in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are: For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

Musical notation for the Words of Institution, Pax Domini. The melody is in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are: A - men.

Agnus Dei

Musical notation for the Agnus Dei. The melody is in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are: 1-3. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. Grant us Thy Peace. A - - - men!

[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymn At the Lamb's High Feast Burgundy Hymn 633

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

Eucharistic Benediction

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

Post-Communion Canticle The Nunc Dimittis

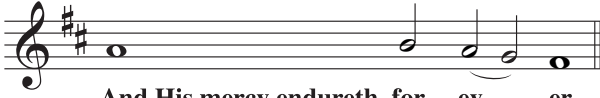
Musical notation for the Post-Communion Canticle. The melody is in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are: 1. Lord now— lettest Thou Thy servant, de— part— in — peace, ac— cord— ing to Thy Word. 2. For mine__ eyes have seen Thy Salvation, which Thou hast pre— pared__ be— fore the face of all__ people. 3. a Light to light—en the Gen—tiles and the Glo— ry of Thy peo—ple Is - - - - ra-el. 4. Glo— ry__ be to the Father, and to__ the__ Son, and to the Ho— ly Ghost.



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

Post Communion Rite

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



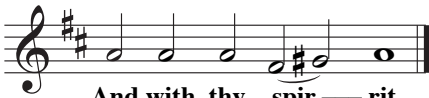
And His mercy endureth for - ev — er.

Prayer of Thanksgiving ... now and forever.



A — men.

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir — rit.

Bless we the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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



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

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

Recessional Hymn Praise to You and Adoration Burgundy Hymn 692

Postlude

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Readings for the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Old Testament Reading is Exodus 16:2-15

The whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, and the people of Israel said to them, “Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

Then the LORD said to Moses, “Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily.” So Moses and Aaron said to all the people of Israel, “At evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against the LORD. For what are we, that you grumble against us?” And Moses said, “When the LORD gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to the full, because the LORD has heard your grumbling that you grumble against him—what are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the LORD.”

Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, ‘Come near before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling.’” And as soon as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. And the LORD said to Moses, “I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. Then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

In the evening quail came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp. And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground. When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”

The Epistle is Ephesians 4:1-16

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. But grace was given to each one of us

according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it says,

“When he ascended on high he led a host of captives,
and he gave gifts to men.”

(In saying, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip the saints, for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

The Gospel is John 6:22-35

On the next day the crowd that remained on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there, and that Jesus had not entered the boat with his disciples, but that his disciples had gone away alone. Other boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. So when the crowd saw that Jesus was not there, nor his disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum, seeking Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not labor for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal.” Then they said to him, “What must we do, to be doing the works of God?” Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” So they said to him, “Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform? Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” Jesus then said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.”

Hymns for the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

LSB918 Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer

William Williams

1. Guide me, O Thou great Redeemer, Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but Thou art mighty; Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more;
Feed me till I want no more.
2. Open now the crystal fountain Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer, Be Thou still my strength and shield;
Be Thou still my strength and shield.
3. When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death and hell's destruction, Land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to Thee;
I will ever give to Thee.

LSB633 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

Latin, c. 5th-10 cent.

1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our victorious King,
Who has washed us in the tide Flowing from His pierced side.
Alleluia!
2. Praise we Him, whose love divine Gives His sacred blood for wine,
Gives His Body for the feast — Christ the victim, Christ the priest.
Alleluia!
- W 3. Where the paschal blood is poured, Death's dread angel sheathes the sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Alleluia!
- M 4. Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal victim, paschal bread;
With sincerity and love Eat we manna from above.
Alleluia!
- W 5. Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;
You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light.
Alleluia!
- M 6. Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall;
You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise.
Alleluia!

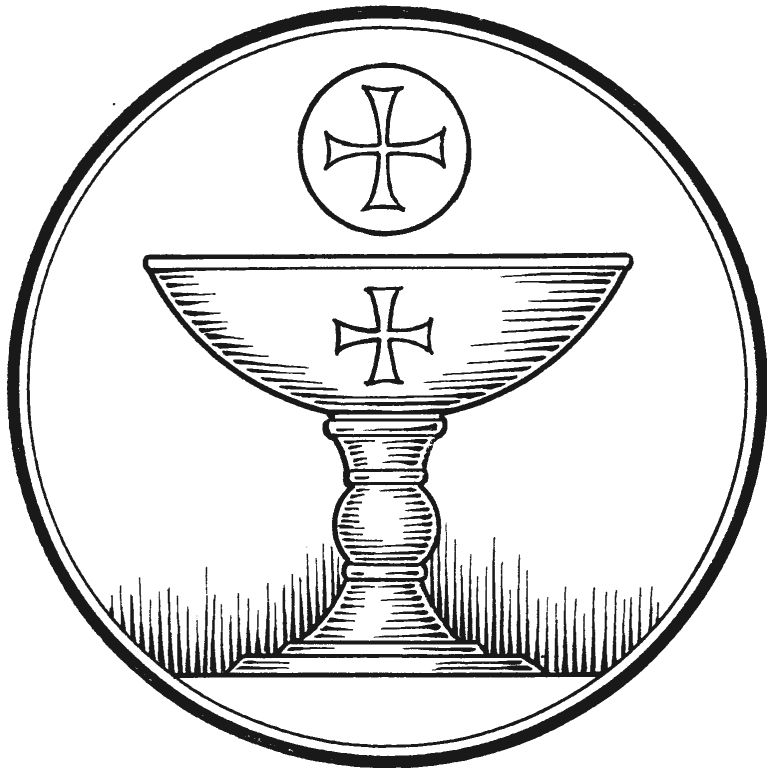
7. Easter triumph, Easter joy! This alone can sin destroy;
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free, Newborn souls in You to be.
Alleluia!
- △ 8. Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days; Three in One, Your name we praise.
Alleluia!

LSB692 Praise to You and Adoration

Thomas Hansen Kingo

1. Praise to You and adoration, Blessed Jesus, Son of God,
Who, to serve Your own creation, Came to share our flesh and blood.
Guide me that I never may From Your fold or pastures stray,
But with zeal and joy exceeding Follow where Your steps are leading.
2. Hold me ever in Your keeping; Comfort me in pain and strife.
In my laughter and my weeping Be with me throughout my life.
Give me greater love for You, And my faith and hope renew
In Your birth, Your life, and passion, In Your death and resurrection.

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost



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

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

The Pastoral Ministry At Zion

Senior Pastor

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

Field Worker:

Erik Saunders

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 Steven and Cindy Schumacher serving in Ghana, West Africa, our fieldworker Erik, and all who are going forth to proclaim the Gospel
- + For our nation, under duress because of racial and political strife; 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 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 Kevin Leininger, TruLaine Starks, Julie Ganaway, Connie Houser, Sherry Freeman, Kristie Roberson, Jeff Springer, Gloria Gonzalez, Willie Manning, Lucille Brandt, Donna Scott, Willodean Bates, Connie Meyer, Dick Hollman, Louise Petrillo, Marianne Billings, Hannah Messmann Jackson, Maurice King, Ron Rastl, and Marlow Hogan
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages
- + For the gift of life and for length of days, especially Alyssa Seifert
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones, especially Hope Lutheran Church, Batesville, AR, at the sudden death of her pastor
- + 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 the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of the 20th birthday of Alyssa Seifert by her parents DaVanna & David Seifert. 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

August 1, 2021 thru August 7, 2021

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Congregational Assembly	Bauer Hall
MON.	6:30 PM	LSA Board Meeting	
TUES.	7:00 PM	Council of Elders	Conference Room
WED.	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Church
THURS.			
FRI.			
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church

August 8, 2021

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

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: Thanks to Seminarian Erik Saunders for his leadership through the First Epistle of St. John. No Education hour after church, due to a Congregational Assembly following Divine Service. We'll start back up on August 8th.

DIAPERS continue to come in. Thank you. We have collected 5,015 diapers. That is 59% of our goal. The last day to give diapers will be August 8th. The diaper giveaway on August 21st. Please help as you can. DaVanna & TruLaine are looking for people to help bag the diapers August 13, 6-8 pm and August 14th noon-2 pm. We also need individuals to work the diaper drive. For more information please call TruLaine at 260-615-1873.

PARENTS WITH LITTLE ONES, there are booster seats available for you in the old narthex (entryway). Ask or pick one up for your toddler to help them sit and see.

COVID-19 UPDATE AT ZION: It's a little hot here in Allen County, and I'm not talking about the temperature. Our metrics have continued to rise. The State is slow publishing their data this week. Nevertheless, our two metric score will probably be 1.5 — that's still yellow. Our average daily positives metric was reported as 7.9% on Tuesday, and the weekly number of positives per 100,000 for the same day is close to 100. The so-called Delta variant, which is more contagious than the others, accounts for 87% of current infections. District 3 hospitalizations and COVID ICU patients are back up to levels seen in April. Breakthrough infections, hospitalizations, and deaths have gone up a bit, but remain very low. The vaccine works. Should a vaccinated person get the virus, it is very unlikely that he will get sick enough to be hospitalized or die. Almost all of those catching the virus (including its variants) now are the unvaccinated. Don't let it be you; get your vaccination if your health permits it. Don't let undue fears or unfounded conspiracy theories deter you. Check with your doctor if you have questions. If you need help scheduling your vaccination or getting to the vaccination site, let the office know. We'll help.

ZION COVID PROTOCOLS WANE-15 reported that the CDC's newest recommendations suggest that Allen County residents, even the vaccinated, should again don masks. Zion has never mandated the wearing of masks, and I don't plan to start now. If you have not been vaccinated and have not had the virus, you are urged again to wear a mask. If you have been vaccinated and feel vulnerable for health reasons, please feel free to wear a mask.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE In this week's memory verse our Lord Jesus gives us a promise in the face of death: John 11:25—"Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live.'" Last week's verse was Matt 6:33-34.

PRESCHOOL AIDE NEEDED at Emmaus Lutheran Preschool, 8626 Covington Road, Fort Wayne, is in need of an afternoon Preschool aide. The hours are great for a Mom who wants to work when their children are in school and have the same days off as their children. It's also a great position for a retired person who wants to work just a few hours a day. Hours we are looking for are Monday-Friday from 11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. If you are interested please see Joann Olsen or call her at 456-7722 X1012.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT What do you think? "Should congregations thank people for their faithful stewardship?" ... There would be many who would come down on either side of the issue. There might well be those who would say that any kind of thanking of stewards would be unnecessary and even improper. After all, as Genesis 1 and 2 indicate, God's people were made to be stewards. When they are managing resources for God's purposes, they are, really, only doing what they have been given to do. However, at the same time, there may well be those who feel that commending God's people for their faithfulness is indeed good stewardship of the hearts and minds of the Body of Christ." (July 2021 StewardCast Newsletter) I say, "Thanks," and "Well done, good and faithful servant."

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

John 6:22-35

Acts 26:24-27:8

Acts 27:9-26

Acts 27:27-44

Acts 28:1-15

Acts 28:16-31

1 Corinthians 1:1-25

DAILY LECTIONARY

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Evening Prayer

Exodus 16:2-15

1 Samuel 17:20-47

1 Samuel 17:48-18:9

1 Samuel 18:10-30

1 Samuel 19:1-24

1 Samuel 20:1-23

1 Samuel 20:24-42

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 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 19:1-8

Ephesians 4:17-5:2

John 6:35-51



What Doctor Luther Says:

About Salvation in Christ, Who Has the Father's Seal

On Him has God the Father set His seal.

There is a special accent in these words, as if Jesus were saying: "My Father ... has His eyes on His Son. He has made everything dependent on Him, so that one is saved by eating His body and drinking His blood. Otherwise all will be damned. God has chosen only His Son, Christ, for this mission. He has put His seal on Him and has placed His will and all His mercy on Christ, and on none other."

God has only one seal, and this He has set on Christ. On Him alone He has bestowed the Holy Spirit, so that all men should look only to Him. All of Holy Writ points solely to Him, attesting that He alone possesses seal and letter; for He is the exemplar, made, given, and offered to be our sole help. Thus God Himself spoke from heaven (Matt. 17:5): "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to Him." Since God has put His seal exclusively on Him, we are obliged to lend ear to Him and to accept Him alone. Now if someone should come along and present a doctor other than Christ – as the sophists do today when they call attention to your works, even quoting Scriptural passages which seem to say that good works merit forgiveness of sins, for example, Dan. 4:27: "Redeem your sins with alms" – then you must reply: "Away with you! Produce letter and seal in evidence! This verse refutes your words. Here we read that God the Father set His seal only on Christ, the Son. In the face of this, what do you propose to achieve with your good works and with your seal? This is written in Holy Writ. What other source is as trustworthy? If you remove and tear off this seal, you have no use for Christ. Therefore go and test whether God the Father has put His seal on the message which someone is proclaiming to you and asking you to accept. If you fail to find this, rip the seal off."

Luther's Works, 23:16-7.



Pray for

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

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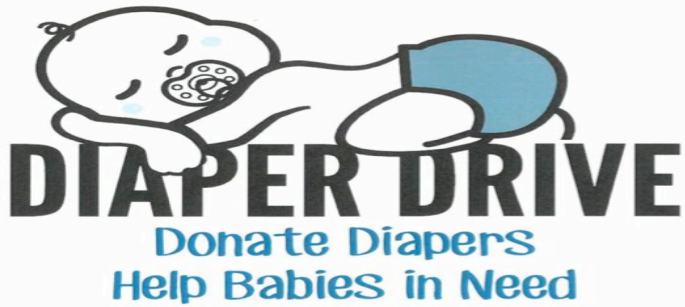
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