

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00 am Sunday, September 12, 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 of the Day



[Antiphon] *Be strong, and let your | heart take •courage•, || all you who | wait__ for the | Lord! || But I trust in | you, O Lord; || I say, | “You__ are my | God.”*

Verse 1: **My times are | in your hand; || rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my | per- se- cu-__ | tors! || Make your face shine | on your •servant•; || save me | in your stead- fast | love!**

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

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Kyrie



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



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

Gloria



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



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



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



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



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



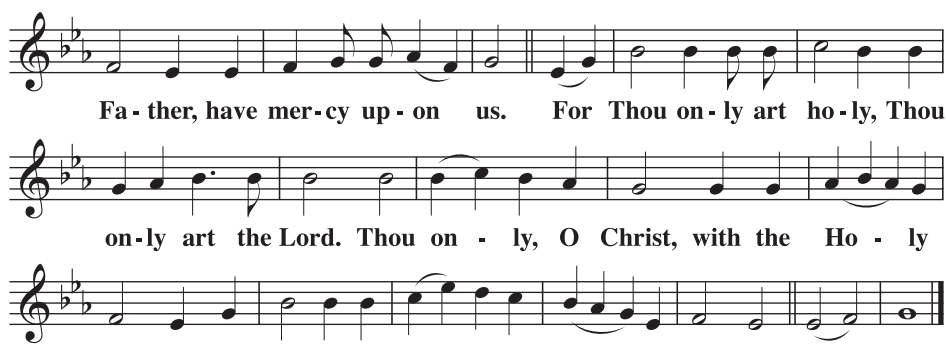
Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



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



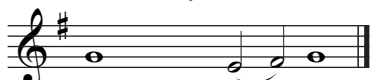
world; re - ceive our prayer Thou that sit-test at the right hand of God the



Fa - ther, have mer - cy up - on us. For Thou on - ly art ho - ly, Thou
on - ly art the Lord. Thou on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly
Ghost, 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 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost: *Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*



A ——— men!

[Be Seated]

+ The Office of the Word of God +

Old Testament Reading..... **Isaiah 50:4-10**

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

Epistle of the Day **James 3:1-12**

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

[Rise]

Alleluia Sequence

[Deacon] *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! "All things are possible for one who believes."*
Alleluia!




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


Holy Gospel **St. Mark 9:14-29**

[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 Praise the One..... Burgundy Hymn 849

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] **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.

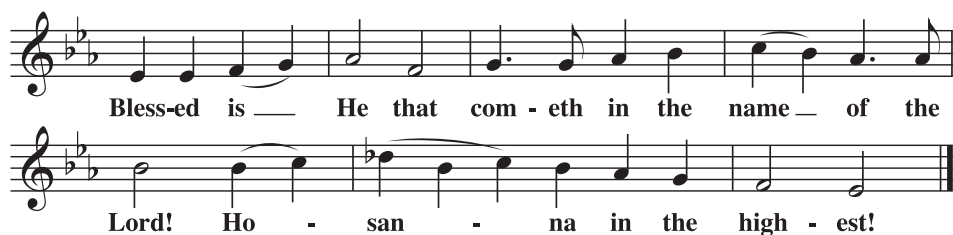
Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

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

Common Preface, Sanctus

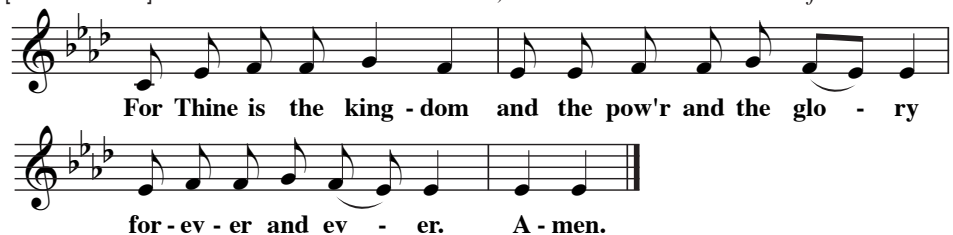
It is truly meet, right and salutary ever more praising You and saying:

Ho - ly, ___ ho - ly, ___ ho - ly, ___
Lord God of Sab - a-oth; heav - en and _ earth are
full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!



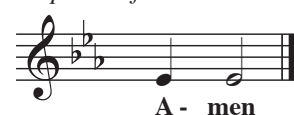
[Kneel] **Lord's Prayer**

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

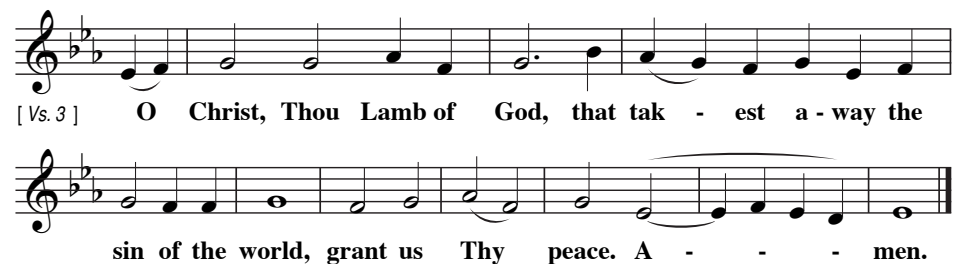


Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



Agnus Dei



[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns Oh! For a Thousand..... Burgundy Hymn 528
Oh, How Great Burgundy Hymn 559

[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.



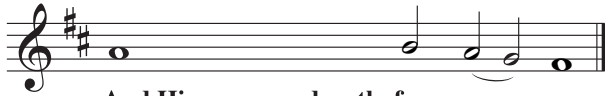
4. Glo— ry__ be to the
Father, and to__ the __ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



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.



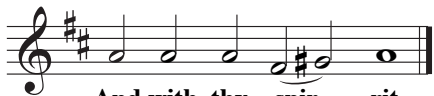
And His mercy endureth for — ev — er.

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 Jesus Has Come Burgundy Hymn 533

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Readings for the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Old Testament Reading is Isaiah 50:4-10

The Lord GOD has given me
the tongue of those who are taught,
that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary.
Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear
to hear as those who are taught.
The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious;
I turned not backward.
I gave my back to those who strike,
and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard;
I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting.
But the Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like a flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame.
He who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together.
Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me.
Behold, the Lord GOD helps me;
who will declare me guilty?
Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment;
the moth will eat them up.
Who among you fears the LORD
and obeys the voice of his servant?
Let him who walks in darkness and has no light
trust in the name of the LORD and rely on his God.

The Epistle is James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among

our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

The Gospel is Mark 9:14-29

When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to him and greeted him. And he asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?" And someone from the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible for one who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

Hymns for the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

LSB849 Praise the One who Breaks the Darkness

Rusty Edwards

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1. Praise the One who breaks the darkness With a liberating light;
Praise the One who frees the pris'ners, Turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the Gospel, Healing ev'ry dread disease,
Calming storms, and feeding thousands With the very Bread of peace.
2. Praise the One who blessed the children With a strong yet gentle word;
Praise the One who drove out demons With a piercing, two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water To the desert's burning sand;
From this Well comes living water, Quenching thirst in ev'ry land.
3. Let us praise the Word Incarnate, Christ, who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose victorious That we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness, Seeing what our God has done;
Let us praise the true Redeemer, Praise the One who makes us one.

LSB528 Oh! For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Charles Wesley

1. Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of His grace!
2. My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad, The honors of Thy name.
3. Jesus! The name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.
4. He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin; He sets the pris'ner free.
His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood avails for me.
5. Look unto Him, ye nations; own Your God, ye fallen race.
Look and be saved through faith alone, Be justified by grace.
6. See all your sins on Jesus laid; The Lamb of God was slain.
His soul was once an off'ring made For ev'ry soul of man.
7. To God all glory, praise, and love Be now and ever giv'n
By saints below and saints above, The Church in earth and heav'n.

LSB559 Oh, How Great Is Your Compassion

Johann Olearius

1. Oh, how great is Your compassion, Faithful Father, God of grace,
That with all our fallen race In our depth of degradation
You had mercy so that we Might be saved eternally!
2. Your great love for this hath striven That we may, from sin made free,
Live with You eternally. Your dear Son Himself has given
And extends His gracious call, To His Supper leads us all.
3. Firmly to our souls' salvation Witnesses Your Spirit, Lord,
In Your Sacraments and Word. There He sends true consolation,
Giving us the gift of faith That we fear not hell nor death.
4. Lord, Your mercy will not leave me; Ever will Your truth abide.
Then in You I will confide. Since Your Word cannot deceive me,
My salvation is to me Safe and sure eternally.
5. I will praise Your great compassion, Faithful Father, God of grace,
That with all our fallen race In our depth of degradation
You had mercy so that we Might be saved eternally.

LSB533 Jesus Has Come and Brings

Johann Ludwig Conrad Allendorf

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1. Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal,
Alpha, Omega, Beginning and End;
Godhead, humanity, union supernal,
O great Redeemer, You come as our friend!
Heaven and earth, now proclaims this great wonder:
Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal!
2. Jesus has come! Now see bonds rent asunder!
Fetters of death now dissolve, disappear.
See Him burst through with a voice as of thunder!
He sets us free from our guilt and our fear,
Lifts us from shame to the place of His honor.
Jesus has come! Hear the roll of God's thunder!
3. Jesus has come as the mighty Redeemer.
See now the threatening strong one disarmed!
Jesus breaks down all the walls of death's fortress,
Brings forth the pris'ners triumphant, unharmed.
Satan, you wicked one, own now your master!
Jesus has come! He, the mighty Redeemer!

4. Jesus has come as the King of all glory!
Heaven and earth, O declare His great pow'r,
Capturing hearts with the heavenly story;
Welcome Him now in this fast fleeting hour!
Ponder His love! Take the crown He has for you!
Jesus has come! He, the King of all glory!

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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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 our fieldworker Erik
- + 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 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 Donna Scott, Paul Dolde, Walt Ostermeyer, Kevin Leininger, Julie Ganaway, Sherry Freeman, Kristie Roberson, Jeff Springer, Gloria Gonzalez, Willie Manning, Willodean Bates, Lucille Brandt, Connie Meyer, Dick Hollman, Louisa Porter, Wilma Thomas, 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 Annalee Kaiser
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed, including Lois & Dick Kaiser.
- + 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 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of the 12th Birthday of Annalee Kaiser by her grandparents Janeen and David Kaiser. The Altar Vases are given in loving memory of Lois & Dick Kaiser by Shelley & Bob Kaiser, Janeen & David Kaiser, and family. Please complete an attendance/ communion card, including the names of all children, and indicate if you are communing. Non-members, please read the back of the card.

CALENDAR

September 12, 2021 thru September 18, 2021

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
MON.	6:30 PM	LSA Board Meeting	LSUS Campus
TUES.	9:30 AM	FW South Circuit	Emmaus Lutheran
	7:00 PM	Elders Council	Conference Room
WED.	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Church
THURS.	10:30 AM	Book of Concord Study	Conference Room
FRI.			
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church

September 19, 2021

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

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: Join us as we take a look at the Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord, confessions forged in the days that followed Luther's death.

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.

DIAPER DRIVE: Zion will hold another diaper give-away on September 25th, Noon-3 PM. Along with the diaper drive, there will be a truck giving out free produce to the 1st 100 cars. If you are able to help, please contact TruLaine at 260-615-1873.

COVID-19 UPDATE AT ZION: *Please read this update if you want the information I've been giving. I'll not be making any oral comments regarding COVID in the future unless some protocol needs changing.* As I predicted, Allen County remains in orange this week, our score unchanged at 2.5. Our positivity rate is down from 11.73% to 11.35% on the map. We'll be hovering in the 11% range still for a while. The weekly number of positives per 100,000 has decreased this week, down to 453 on the map and headed down further. I hope we've hit our Delta-variant peak! The lagging indicators of hospitalizations and deaths are still of concern. District 3 hospitalizations are at 293 (that's a mid-December number), and COVID patients are taking up 30.2% of the ICU beds with 9.7% of ICU beds are available. The 7-day moving average for deaths is 1 but jumped up briefly to 2. The Delta variant remains the primary cause of infections at 98.4%. The average number of vaccine doses administered daily is well under 10,000; Over 70% Hoosiers 60 and older are now fully vaccinated. The percentages of breakthrough infections, hospitalizations, and deaths remain low but are climbing slowly: 0.580%, 0.013%, and 0.004%, respectively. Vaccines remain the best way to get this pandemic under control. Get your vaccination if your health permits it. If you need help, let the office know.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE fall campaign is Sep. 22- Oct. 31 this year. I encourage you again to pray to end abortion outside the Planned Parenthood on Lake Ave, but there are other ways to participate. Thanks to Rachel and Laikyn Muehl for helping to organize Zion's participation. They'll pick a date and have a sign up soon. See www.ichooselife.org/40days for more info.

SPEAKER AND ELEVATOR Innovative Concepts apologetically says, "sorry this is moving slower than I expected. We are currently waiting on a power supply circuit board." The Otis tech was ordering another circuit board for the elevator, but no word as of today.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE This week's memory verse encourages us with a promise. Psalm 145:18—"The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth." Last week's verse was Acts 16:31.

ALUMNI WEEKEND FOR CONCORDIA Alumni and Homecoming Weekend is an annual event to celebrate our many alumni, students, parents, and friends. Come back for a football game, reunions, and fellowship with friends and family! Alumni Weekend is September 23-26. It kicks off with our Golf Outing on Thursday with the Homecoming game on Friday evening. The weekend ends with a Worship Service on Sunday. All are welcome. See details at www.clhscadets.com/alumni-weekend.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT Mark 9:24 – *"Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, 'I believe; help my unbelief!'"* Haven't we often felt like this! And notice that Jesus does not throw the man out because of his weakness of faith. He still has pity, and He still blesses the man as His Lord. But neither does Jesus leave people in weakness of faith. He blesses us and calls us to a deeper faith – as He did to the disciples in the boat on the storm-tossed sea. How does our faith grow? By hearing the Word of God. What does our faith lead to as it grows? It leads to a godly life lived in thanksgiving to our Lord.

4TH SEMI ANNUAL FISH & CHICKEN STRIP DINNER at Emanuel Lutheran Church, New Haven, Friday Oct 22, 2021, 4:00-7:00 pm. Drive-thru only. Emanuel is located at 800 Green Street, New Haven, IN 46774.

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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 9:14-29

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 50:4-10

Colossians 1:1-23

Monday

2 Chronicles 32:1-22

Colossians 1:24-2:7

Tuesday

2 Chronicles 33:1-25

Colossians 2:8-23

Wednesday

2 Chronicles 34:1-4, 8-11, 14-33

Colossians 3:1-25

Thursday

2 Chronicles 35:1-7, 16-25

Colossians 4:1-18

Friday

2 Chronicles 36:1-23

1 Timothy 1:1-20

Saturday

Nehemiah 1:1-2:10

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 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 11:18-20

James 3:13-4:10

Mark 9:30-37



What Doctor Luther Says:

About Everything Depending on Faith

THE TWELFTH ARTICLE

If it were possible that anyone could confess without contrition, or if a priest were to absolve anyone thoughtlessly or in jest, nevertheless, if such a person should believe that he has received absolution he is most certainly absolved.

In the entire gospel Christ made everything depend on faith when he said, “All things are possible to him who believes” [Mark 9:23], and again, “Be it done for you as you have believed” [Matt. 8:13]. Therefore it is true that although the priest may be jesting, nevertheless, if I receive his absolution in earnest and have faith, the result does not depend on what he does, but on faith. I said this in order to show how important and necessary a part of repentance faith is. Everything depends on it. And although faith is not possible without contrition, as I said above ..., yet, if it were possible to have faith without contrition, faith alone would be sufficient. For God did not make the offer of his grace dependent on contrition or any other work but only on faith, when he said, “He who believes will be saved” [Mark 16:16].

Luther's Works, 32:49.



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.

Theology in the Parish Lectures

Zion Lutheran Church presents

An Introduction to the Gospel according to St. Luke

by

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

followed by

Sacred Music at Zion:
Hymns of Healing

led by

Michael Hollman

Saturday, October 30

1:30 pm – 4:00 pm

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

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



LSUS NOTES

Praying for You!



Please pray for these students/staff:

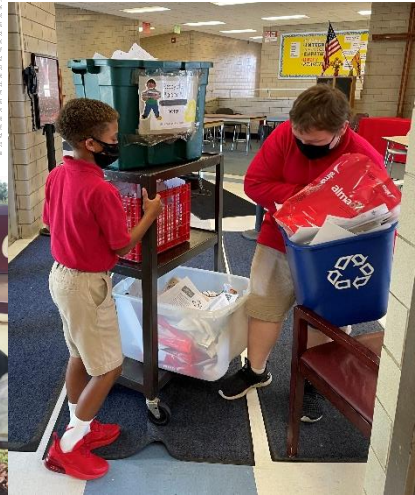
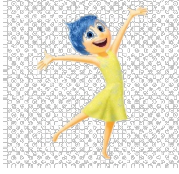
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Jakayla Bell
Taria Webb-Arnold

Meet the JOY Group!

JOY stands for Jesus, Others, and Yourself Last. During the week, 6th-8th graders have the opportunities to serve around the school. Changing the sign is one of them! Other tasks may include: setting up for all school devotions and chapel in the gym, wiping down tables after breakfast, preparing and handing out chapel offering envelopes, collecting paper recycling, etc.

Service opportunities are a great way for students to serve and show Jesus' love to others around them. Thanks to all who help so willingly and **JOYfully**!



Eighth-graders, Michael Warnsley and Daveon Surry, are seen here changing our school sign with this year's theme!



Seventh-graders, Aiden Slattery and Jayland Davis, collected recycling from the classrooms and the office. Keep up the great work!

Encouragement Found in Scriptures:

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. — Proverbs 3:5-6

HELP WANTED!

We are in immediate need of an after-school caregiver for our Extended Care program. Hours would be after school at 3pm - 6pm for kindergarten through 8th grade when school is session (Tuesdays 2pm-6pm). Tasks include: Maintaining an environment for homework and quiet activities. Also provide after school snacks.

We are also in need of a Kitchen Assistant to help prepare and serve kindergarten through 8th-grade students. Also, help with cleaning after food service. Hours would be from 11am – 1pm.

If interested in any way, please contact the office at: 744-0459.

Meet Our Counselor

We are blessed to have Raphael Bosley (also known as Mr. B) as a resource here at LSUS. He is a counselor here at LSUS and Cross Connections Counseling.

He has a passion for advocacy, serving, and empowering the underserved and underrepresented populations of my community. He brings over 7 years of experience working with various populations, including but not limited to: homeless individuals, juveniles, adult offenders, at-risk youth populations, and individuals with mental illnesses.



He operates with an optimistic perspective. He believes despite the darkness there is in any situation or individual- GOOD CAN BE discovered and used as a tool of motivation to rebuild, reorganize, and rebrand. He has dedicated his self to helping others grow personally, professionally, and spiritually, in hopes that a ripple effect will start of individuals committing to doing the work it takes to be a better version of themselves.

Outside of the counseling office he enjoy spending time with his wife and their two beautiful children. He is also a member of the American Counseling Association and an associate minister at Greater Progressive Baptist Church.