

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE FLROTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00 am Sunday, June 20, 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] *Then they cried to the Lord | in their •trouble•, || and he delivered | them from their dis- | tress. || He made the | storm be still, || and the waves | of the sea were | hushed.*

Verse 1 : **Then they were glad that the waters were | qui-__ et, || and he brought them to | their de- •sired•__ | •haven•. || Let them thank the Lord for his | stead- fast love, || for his wondrous works to the | chil__ dren of | man!**

Verse 2 : *Let them ex- | tol__ him || in the congre- | ga- tion of the | •people•, || and | praise__ him || in the as- | sem- bly of the | •elders•.*

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

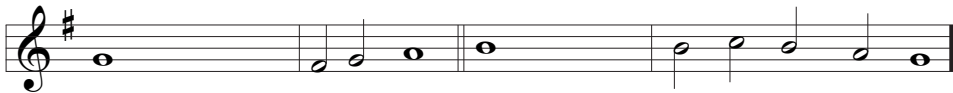


Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have

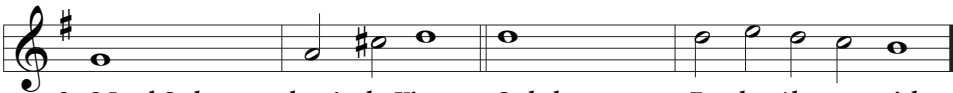


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Gloria



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 wor-ship 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•.

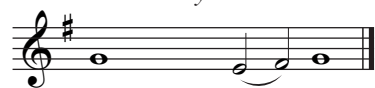


5. *That takest away the . . sin •of the• world, have mercy up - - - - - on__ us.*
6. *Thou that takest away the sin •of the• world, re - - - - - ceive our •prayer•*
7. *Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the •Father•, have mercy up - - - - - on__ us.*



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.



Collect for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost: *Almighty God, in Your mercy guide the course of this world so that Your Church may joyfully serve You in godly peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*



A———men!

+ The Office of the Word of God +

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

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Alleluia Sequence

[Deacon] *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! “Who then is this, that even the wind and sea obey him?” Alleluia!*



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

[*The Gospel is announced.*]



Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord!

[*The Gospel is proclaimed.*]



Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

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

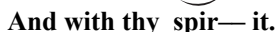
[Bow] **And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, And was made man;**

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!

Hymn of the Day Evening and Morning Burgundy Hymn 726

The Lord be with you.



A musical staff with a treble clef. It contains five notes: a quarter note on G4, a quarter note on A4, a quarter note on G4, a quarter note on F#4, and a half note on E4. A slur is placed under the first four notes. The staff ends with a double bar line. Below the staff, the text "A ——— men!" is written, with a long horizontal line under the "A" and a shorter line under "men!".

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Hymn of the Day Evening and Morning Burgundy Hymn 726

[Kneel] **Lord's Prayer**

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



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!

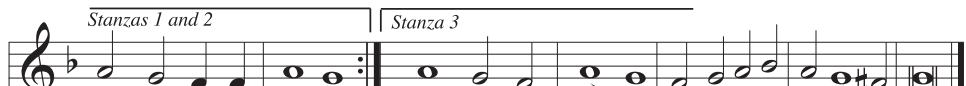


A - men.

Agnus Dei



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



Stanzas 1 and 2 | Stanza 3

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


[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns **Be Still, My Soul**..... **Burgundy Hymn 752**
Lord, Take My Hand **Burgundy Hymn 722**

[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.



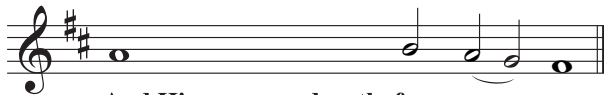
4. Glo— ry__ be to the
Father, and to__ the__ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



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.



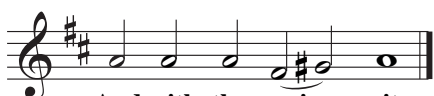
And His mercy endureth for — ev — er.

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.



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 ... I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus... Burgundy Hymn 729

Postlude

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Readings for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

The Old Testament Reading is Job 38:1-11

Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind and said:
“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?
Dress for action like a man;

I will question you, and you make it known to me.

“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone,

when the morning stars sang together

and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

“Or who shut in the sea with doors

when it burst out from the womb,

when I made clouds its garment

and thick darkness its swaddling band,

and prescribed limits for it

and set bars and doors,

and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,

and here shall your proud waves be stayed’?”

The Epistle is 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. For he says,

“In a favorable time I listened to you,

and in a day of salvation I have helped you.”

Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing;

as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians; our heart is wide open. You are not restricted by us, but you are restricted in your own affections. In return (I speak as to children) widen your hearts also.

The Gospel is Mark 4:35-41

On that day, when evening had come, [Jesus] said to them, “Let us go across to the other side.” And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still! ”And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. He said to them, “Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?” And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even wind and sea obey him?”

Hymns for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

LSB726 Evening and Morning

Paul Gerhardt

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1. Evening and morning, Sunset and dawning,
Wealth, peace and gladness, Comfort in sadness:
These are Thy works; all the glory be Thine!
Times without number, Awake or in slumber,
Thine eye observes us, From danger preserves us,
Causing Thy mercy upon us to shine.
2. Father, O hear me, Pardon and spare me;
Calm all my terrors, Blot out my errors
That by Thine eyes they may no more be scanned.
Order my goings, Direct all my doings;
As it may please Thee, Retain or release me;
All I commit to Thy fatherly hand.
3. Ills that still grieve me Soon are to leave me;
Though billows tower, And winds gain power,
After the storm the fair sun shows its face.
Joys e'er increasing And peace never ceasing;
These shall I treasure And share in full measure
When in His mansions God grants me a place.
4. To God in heaven All praise be given!
Come, let us offer And gladly proffer
To the Creator the gifts He doth prize.
He well receiveth A heart that believeth,
Hymns that adore Him Are precious before Him
And to His throne like sweet incense arise.

LSB752 Be Still, My Soul

Catharina Amalia Dorothea von Schlegel

1. Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side;
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
Leave to your God to order and provide;
In ev'ry change He faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul; your best, your heav'nly Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

2. Be still, my soul; your God will undertake
To guide the future as He has the past.
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below.
3. Be still, my soul, though dearest friends depart
And all is darkened in the vale of tears;
Then you will better know His love, His heart,
Who comes to soothe your sorrows and your fears.
Be still, my soul; your Jesus can repay
From His own fulness all He takes away.
4. Be still, my soul; the hour is hast'ning on
When we shall be forever with the Lord,
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past,
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

LSB722 Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

Julie von Hausmann

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1. Lord, take my hand and lead me Upon life's way;
Direct, protect and feed me From day to day.
Without your grace and favor I go astray;
So take my hand, O Savior, And lead the way.
2. Lord, when the tempest rages, I need not fear,
For you, the Rock of Ages, Are always near.
Close by your side abiding, I fear no foe,
For when Your hand is guiding, In peace I go.
3. Lord, when the shadows lengthen And night has come,
I know that You will strengthen My steps toward home.
Then nothing can impede me, O blessed Friend;
So take my hand and lead me Unto the end.

LSB729 I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus

Frances R. Havergal

1. I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, Trusting only Thee;
Trusting Thee for full salvation, Great and free.

2. I am trusting Thee for pardon; At Thy feet I bow,
For Thy grace and tender mercy Trusting now.
3. I am trusting Thee for cleansing In the crimson flood;
Trusting Thee to make me holy By Thy blood.
4. I am trusting Thee to guide me; Thou alone shalt lead,
Ev'ry day and hour supplying All my need.
5. I am trusting Thee for power; Thine can never fail.
Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me Must prevail.
6. I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus; Never let me fall.
I am trusting Thee forever And for all.

The Fourth 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
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Rev. Douglas D. Punke, MDiv (341-5397)
Erik Saunders

The Teaching Staff At Lutheran South Unity

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Sheila Nehrenz, Principal (744-0459)
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:
Church Office Manager:

Michael Hollman, MM
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, 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 Julie Ganaway, Jim Reid, Judy Thomas, Connie Houser, Sherry Freeman, Kristie Roberson, Jeff Springer, Gloria Gonzalez, Willie Manning, Lucille Brandt, Donna Scott, Willodean Bates, Connie Meyer, Dick Hollman, 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 Jonathan & Michael Thomas
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones, especially Bo Stokes and family
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed, especially Jill Stokes
- + 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 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of Jonathan & Michael Thomas' 21st birthday by their parents Judy & Marty Thomas. 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

June 20, 2021 thru June 26, 2021

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service (Father's Day)	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
MON.			
TUES.	12 NOON	Administrative Council	Bauer Hall
WED.	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Church
THURS.	1:00 PM	Adult Catechesis	Conference Room
FRI.			
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church

June 27, 2021

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

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: Seminarian Erik Saunders continues a study of St. John's first epistle using John's Gospel as a guide into his epistle. This epistle both comforts as it speaks of God's love in Christ Jesus and warns of those who would teach falsely of Christ. I think you'll enjoy it. Please join us.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY to our fathers today.

SUPPORT: Don't forget that you can still order popcorn with Melvia the old fashioned way by calling the church office and writing a check to Zion. She will be taking orders starting today (June 20th) until July 4th.

DIAPERS continue to come in. We had a good response last week. Thank you. So far we have received 3,328 diapers, we are at 45% of our goal of 8,500 diapers. The diaper giveaway on August 21st. Please help as you can.

SEMI-ANNUAL GIVING STATEMENTS will be ready on Sunday, July 4th. You can pick them up at Julie Ganaway's Scrip table. Thanks.

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.

ZION STAY-SAFE PROTOCOLS are done. All posters are down. That does not mean that we're encouraging foolhardiness. Practice good hand and mouth hygiene. Of course, you may wear a mask if desired, and there are legitimate reasons for some to do so. *No judgment ... truly. I made a foolish statement last week. It was meant as a joke, but it was foolish and may have caused offense. Please forgive me.* With regard to Holy Communion, we have returned to our normal practice of offering common cup only except for those persons who have special health needs. Let me know if you have such needs so that we can be prepared.

COVID-19 UPDATE AT ZION: Allen County remains in blue with a two-metric score of 0.5. Our average daily positives is 2.0% and decreasing; and our weekly number of positives per 100,000 is 24 and decreasing. No Memorial Day spike in infections. Breakthrough infections are 0.077% of those fully vaccinated. The vaccine works. The unvaccinated remain at higher risk; the vaccinated almost no risk. Almost 50% of Hoosiers 16+ are fully vaccinated. Hesitancy at the younger ages (12-15) is not unreasonable given some recently reported side effects. Hoosiers in Zion's 46803 zip code (also 46806) remain some of the least vaccinated in the county (along with those in the Amish-dominated area around Grabill). I continue to encourage you to be vaccinated unless you have a good reason to avoid it; e.g., allergies or you already had COVID. 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.

ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, 518 Dewald Street, is holding a Parish Festival on June 26th, 5 PM- 8 PM, celebrating the end of COVID restrictions along with the feast of St. Peter (although the Commemoration of Sts. Peter and Paul is actually June 29th). They're holding a hog roast in the church parking lot. There is no cost but donations are welcome.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE This week's memory verses are an encouragement to joyous Christian service to our neighbors as to the Lord: Colossian 3:23-24—"Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ." Last week's verse was Psalm 100.

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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 4:35-41

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Job 38:1-11

John 19:1-22

Monday

Proverbs 24:1-22

John 19:23-42

Tuesday

Proverbs 25:1-22

John 20:1-18

Wednesday

Proverbs 27:1-24

John 20:19-31

Thursday

Proverbs 30:1-9, 18-33

John 21:1-25

Friday

Proverbs 31:10-31

Acts 8:1-25

Saturday

Joshua 1:1-18

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 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Lamentations 3:22-33

2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-15

Mark 5:21-43



What Doctor Luther Says:

About Praying Out of Faith—Pray for an Increase

Prayer ... is a special exercise of faith, and faith makes the prayer so acceptable that either it will surely be granted, or something better than what we ask will be given in its stead. ...

He has commanded us to remain on the right path with simple faith, believing in him but at the same time setting him no limits.

6. Thus we see that this [third] commandment, like the second, should be nothing other than a doing and a keeping of the first commandment, that is, of faith, trust, confidence, hope, and love toward God so that in all the commandments the first may be the captain, and faith the chief work and life of all other works, without which, as has been said, such works cannot be good.

But if you say, "What if I cannot believe that my prayer is heard and accepted?" I reply that faith, prayer, and all other good works are commanded so that you should know what you can do and what you cannot do. And when you find that you cannot believe [in this way] and do [what is commanded], humble yourself before God, deploring this fact, and in this way begin with a weak spark of faith and strengthen it more and more every day by exercising it in all your living and doing. For there is not a man living who does not have a full share in breaking the first and greatest commandment, i.e., the commandment to believe. Even the holy apostles in the gospel, and St. Peter in particular, were weak in faith, so that they also asked Christ and said, "Lord, increase our faith" [Luke 17:5]. And he very frequently rebukes them because they have so little faith [Note: Cf. Matt. 14:31; Mark 4:40].

Luther's Works, 44:58, 60.

Lutheran South Unity School - Our mission - Our ministry.

It's the end of another school year and more than ever I wanted to thank you all for your prayers and support here at LSUS. The Word of God sums it up nicely in Philippians 1: 3-6.

"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you. I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to the completion until the day of Christ Jesus."

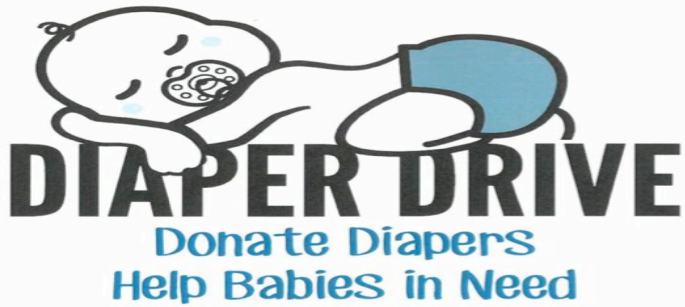
Know that your partnership is supporting our mission and ministry here at LSUS as we continue to spread the gospel message.

Our future is bright. There is opportunity for LSUS to grow and transform to be an active community outreach - right here, on the south side of Fort Wayne. We can be a light, a beacon *that reaches out to the children and families who do not yet know and understand the God we know*. Understanding this mission and promoting it is important to the future success of LSUS.

I'm motivated and inspired as we move forward. God has begun a good work and he has placed us here, in this place, at this time, to do his work. We have a mission field right here in our own backyard within the halls of Lutheran South Unity School.

My heart is full of joy and I thank you for your support as we prepare for a new school year.

Sheila Nehrenz
Principal
Lutheran South Unity School



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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

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