

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE FESTIVAL OF THE HOLY TRINITY

9:00 am Sunday, May 30, 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.*

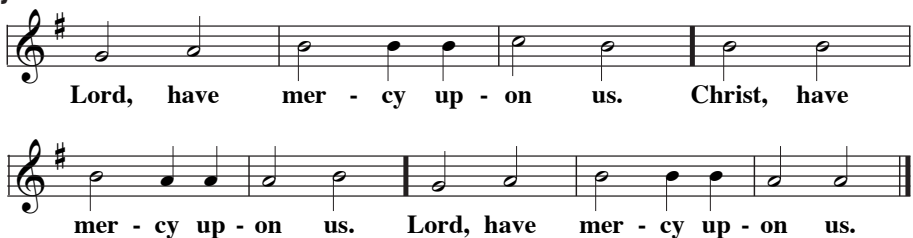
O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy 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.

Entrance Hymn Come, Thou Almighty King..... Burgundy Hymn 905

Kyrie



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Confession of Faith (The Athanasian Creed)

- 1 *Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith.*
- 2 **Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.**
- 3 *And the catholic faith is this,*
- 4 **that we worship one God in trinity and Trinity in unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.**
- 5 *For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.*
- 6 **But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.**
- 7 *Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:*
- 8 **the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;**
- 9 *the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;*
- 10 **the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.**
- 11 *And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,*
- 12 **just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinities, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.**
- 13 *In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;*
- 14 **and yet there are not three Almightyies but one Almighty.**
- 15 *So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;*
- 16 **and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.**
- 17 *So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;*
- 18 **and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.**
- 19 *Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord,*
- 20 **so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.**
- 21 *The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone. The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.*
- 22 **The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten but proceeding.**
- 23 *Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.*
- 24 **And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;**
- 25 *but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.*
- 26 **Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.**
- 27 *But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.*
- 28 **Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man.**
- 29 *He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages; and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age:*
- 30 **perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;**
- 31 *equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.*
- 32 **Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:**
- 33 *one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh but by the assumption of the humanity into God;*
- 34 **one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.**
- 35 *For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,*
- 36 **who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again from the dead,**
- 37 *ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead.*
- 38 **At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.**
- 39 *And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.*
- 40 **This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.**

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

Hymn of the Day Come, Holy Ghost, Burgundy Hymn 498

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

Sermon

[Rise] Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs: [After each petition]:..., Lord, in Your mercy: Hear our prayer.

[After the final prayer]:..., one God, now and forever Amen.

[Be Seated] Offerings, Voluntary

[Rise] Offertory Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God



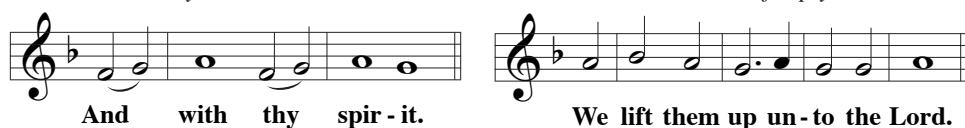
Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres - ence, and
take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of
Thy sal-va - tion; and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

+ 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.

Proper Preface for Holy Trinity, Sanctus

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



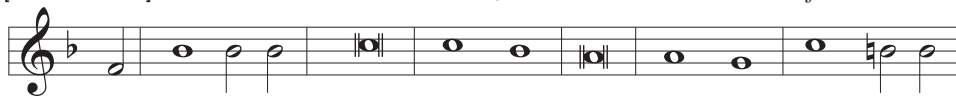
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry; Ho - san-na Ho - san-na, Ho -
san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is He that



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.*



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,



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

[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns Holy, Holy, Holy Burgundy Hymn 507

Glory Be To God Burgundy Hymn 506

Holy God, We Praise Burgundy Hymn 940

[Rise for stanza 5.]

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.



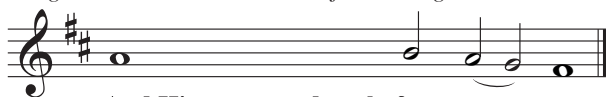
4. Glo—ry be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost.



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.



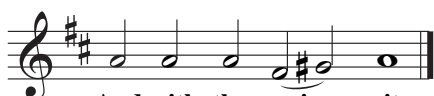
And His mercy endureth for — ev — er.

Prayer of Thanksgiving ... now and forever.



A — men.

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir — rit.

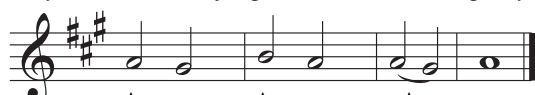
Bless we the Lord.



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 Father, Most Holy Burgundy Hymn 504 Postlude

Readings for the Festival of the Holy Trinity

The Old Testament Reading is Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory!”

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.

And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” Then I said, “Here am I! Send me.”

The Second Reading is Acts 2:14a, 22-36

Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. ...

“Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. For David says concerning him,

“I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
my flesh also will dwell in hope.

For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One see corruption.

You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

“Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.

Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

“The Lord said to my Lord,

“Sit at my right hand,

until I make your enemies your footstool.”

Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

The Gospel is John 3:1-17

Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.” Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except him who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.”

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

Hymns for the Festival of the Holy Trinity

LSB905 Come, Thou Almighty King

English, before 1760

1. Come, Thou almighty King,
Help us Thy Name to sing: Help us to praise;
Father all-glorious, O'er all victorious,
Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.
2. Come, Thou incarnate Word,
Gird on Thy mighty sword; Our prayer attend.
Come and Thy people bless, And give Thy Word success,
And let Thy righteousness On us descend.
3. Come, holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear In this glad hour!
Thou, who almighty art, Now rule in ev'ry heart,
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.
- △ 4. To Thee, great One in Three,
Eternal praises be Hence evermore!
Thy sov'reign majesty May we in glory see,
And to eternity Love and adore.

LSB505 God the Father, Be Our Stay

Martin Luther

1. God the Father, be our Stay; O let us perish never!
Cleanse us from our sins, we pray, And grant us life forever.
Keep us from the evil one; Uphold our faith most holy.
And let us trust Thee solely With humble hearts and lowly.
Let us put God's armor on, With all true Christian running
Our heav'nly race and shunning The devil's wiles and cunning.
Amen, amen! This be done; So sing we, "Alleluia!"
2. Jesus Christ, be Thou our stay; O let us perish never!
Cleanse us from our sins, we pray, And grant us life forever.
Keep us from the evil one; Uphold our faith most holy.
And let us trust Thee solely With humble hearts and lowly.
Let us put God's armor on, With all true Christian running
Our heav'nly race and shunning The devil's wiles and cunning.
Amen, amen! This be done; So sing we, "Alleluia!"

3. Holy Spirit, be our Stay, O let us perish never!
Cleanse us from our sins, we pray, And grant us life forever.
Keep us from the evil one; Uphold our faith most holy.
And let us trust Thee solely With humble hearts and lowly.
Let us put God's armor on, With all true Christian running
Our heav'nly race and shunning The devil's wiles and cunning.
Amen, amen! This be done; So sing we, "Alleluia!"

LSB498 Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest

attr. Rabanus Maurus

1. Come, Holy Ghost, Creator blest,
And make our hearts Your place of rest;
Come with Your grace and heav'nly aid,
And fill the hearts which You have made.
2. To You, the Counselor, we cry,
To You, the gift of God Most High;
The fount of life, the fire of love,
The soul's anointing from above.
- M 3. In You, with graces sevenfold,
We God's almighty hand behold
While You with tongues of fire proclaim
To all the world His holy name.
- W 4. Your light to ev'ry thought impart,
And shed Your love in ev'ry heart;
The weakness of our mortal state
With deathless might invigorate.
- M 5. Drive far away our wily foe,
And Your abiding peace bestow;
With You as our protecting guide,
No evil can with us abide.
- W 6. Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And You, from both, as Three in One
That we Your name may ever bless
And in our lives the truth confess.
- Δ 7. Praise we the Father and Son,
And Holy Spirit, with them One,
And may the Son on us bestow
The gifts that from the Spirit flow!

LSB507 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

Reginald Heber

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.
3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.
4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

LSB506 Glory Be to God the Father

Horatius Bonar

1. Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One!
Glory, glory While eternal ages run!
2. Glory be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain:
Glory be to Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign!
Glory, glory To the Lamb that once was slain!
3. Glory to the King of angels, Glory to the Church's King,
Glory to the King of nations; Heav'n and earth, your praises bring!
Glory, glory To the King of glory sing!
4. Glory, blessing, praise eternal! Thus the choir of angels sings:
Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion! Thus its praise creation brings.
Glory, glory, Glory to the King of kings!

LSB940 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

Latin, c. 4th cent.

1. Holy God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we bow before Thee.
All on earth Thy scepter claim, All in heav'n above adore Thee.
Infinite Thy vast domain, Everlasting is Thy reign.

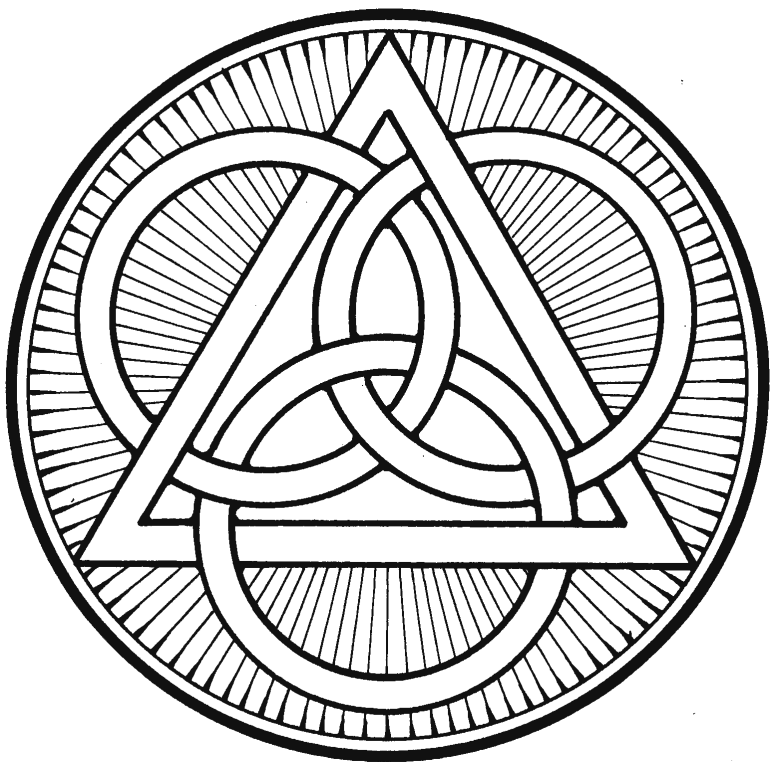
2. Hark! the glad celestial hymn Angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and seraphim, In unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: Holy, holy, holy Lord!
3. Lo, the _apostles' holy train Join Thy sacred name to hallow;
Prophets swell the glad refrain, And the white-robed martyrs follow,
And from morn to set of sun Through the Church the song goes on.
4. Thou art King of glory, Christ; Son of God, yet born of Mary.
For us sinners sacrificed, As to death a Tributary,
First to break the bars of death, Thou hast opened heav'n to faith.
- △ 5. Holy Father, holy Son, Holy Spirit, three we name Thee;
Though in essence only one, Undivided God we claim Thee
And, adoring, bend the knee While we own the mystery.

LSB504 Father Most Holy

Latin, c. 10th cent.

1. Father most holy, merciful, and tender;
Jesus, our Savior, with the Father reigning;
Spirit of comfort, advocate, defender, Light never waning;
2. Trinity blessed, unity unshaken,
Goodness unbounded, very God of heaven,
Light of the angels, joy of those forsaken, Hope of all living,
3. Maker of all things, all Thy creatures praise Thee;
All for Thy worship were and are created;
Now, as we also worship Thee devoutly, Hear Thou our voices.
- △ 4. Lord God Almighty, unto Thee be glory,
One in three persons, over all exalted!
Glory we offer, praise Thee and adore Thee, Now and forever.

The Festival of the Holy Trinity



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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)

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Gene Koch, Yvonne Schwantz, Barry Chrzan,

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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, returning to Ghana, West Africa, our fieldworkers, Peter and Erik, and all who are going forth to proclaim the Gospel
- + For our nation, under duress because of COVID-19, and 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 as they conclude another academic year
- + 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 Jill Stokes, 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
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones, including the family of Marcile Keck and Jim Crouse, Jane Porter Gresham, and the family of Ruth Boxdorfer
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed, including Marcile Keck
- + 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 Festival of the Holy Trinity. Today's flowers are furnished by Karen Coleman. 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

May 30, 2021 thru June 5, 2021

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
	10:30 AM	Junior Catechesis	Conference Room
MON.		Memorial Day — Office Closed	
TUES.	1:00 PM	Urban Ministry	Zoom
	7:00 PM	Elders Council	Conference Room
WED.	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Church
THURS.	1:00 PM	Adult Catechesis	Conference Room
FRI.			
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confessions	Church

June 6, 2021

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	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
	10:30 AM	Junior Catechesis	Conference Room

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: Adult Bible Class continues with Dr. Voelz in Bauer Hall. Please join us. Junior Catechesis meets in the Conference Room with Pastor Punke.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Fine French Wine with Jim & Judy Voelz and Pastor & Marge Punke on June 4th, at 6:30 PM. And here in Bauer Hall award-winning Chef Eric & Jennifer Braun will have gourmet appetizers and delectable desserts on June 5th at 5 PM. Sign up with Dave Kaiser at the table in the Great Hall. There are a limited number of spots open per event, and the dates are fast approaching.

DIAPERS have started to come in. Thank you. So far we have received 1,192 diapers. Our goal is 8,500 for our diaper giveaway on August 21st. Please help as you can.

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.

MEN OF ZION are on summer break.

COVID PROTOCOLS are the same this Sunday. Elders will review the protocols in their meeting June 1st. I expect that we will move further toward normal. Mask wearing is encouraged for the unvaccinated; the vaccinated may wear or remove your mask according to your comfort level.

COVID-19 UPDATE AT ZION: Allen County has turned blue (0.5 two-measure metric), but our advisory level will remain yellow for another week. Our average daily positives continues its downward trend as does our weekly number of positives per 100,000 in Allen County. Hospitalizations in District 3 for COVID remain around 60, and ICU bed usage for COVID is staying low. Daily COVID-related deaths remain low — all good news. Thanks be to God. However, daily number of vaccines administered in Allen County continues to decrease. It seems that a large percentage of those over the age of 60, the most vulnerable, have elected not to be vaccinated. That's their choice, but unless there is a medical reason not to be vaccinated, it seems unwise to me. Indiana is now 45.1% (16+) fully vaccinated. No one age 12-15 is yet fully vaccinated, although about 11% of Hoosiers in that age range have received their first vaccine. *Hoosiers 12 and older are now eligible to be vaccinated.* While it is true that these vaccines are under an emergency use authorization, I maintain that unless there is a medical reason for you not to be vaccinated, odds are much better for you if you get the shot than if you get the virus.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE In this week's memory verse St. John tells us how to discern the truth amidst a cacophony of voices in the world: 1 John 4:2 "By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God." Last week's verse was Ephesians 1:13.

LSEM is looking for full-time resource room teachers a valid Indiana teaching license and a certification/endorsement in special education. Interested applicants looking for more information or wishing to submit a resume are asked to contact Richard Schumacher at (734) 748-5253 or email him at rschumacher@luthsped.org. Or go to this link luthsped.org/were-looking-for-teachers/ for open positions as well as a link to our on-line employment application.

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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

John 3:1-17

John 9:1-23

John 9:24-41

John 10:1-21

John 10:22-42

John 11:1-16

John 11:17-37

DAILY LECTIONARY

The Feast of the Holy Trinity

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Evening Prayer

Acts 2:21a, 22-36

Ecclesiastes 8:1-17

Ecclesiastes 9:1-17

Ecclesiastes 10:1-20

Ecclesiastes 11:1-10

Ecclesiastes 12:1-14

Proverbs 1:8-33

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 Second Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 3:8-15

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Mark 3:20-35



What Doctor Luther Says:

About Rebirth by Water and the Spirit

Now the Lord replies more explicitly [to Nicodemus]: “Reborn you must be, but not from your mother; for that birth would not be different from the first one. No, you must be born of the Spirit and of water; without this you cannot be saved.” Now Christ explains His statement clearly and plainly enough, saying in effect: “I mean a spiritual birth.” There are two types of birth. First, there is a physical birth from a woman. Thus we are all descended from Adam and Eve. Here Christ does not refer to this physical birth. He is speaking here of the spiritual birth, which comes from water and the Spirit. ...

[H]ere Christ is speaking of Baptism, of real and natural water such as a cow may drink, the Baptism about which you hear in the sermons on this subject. Therefore the word “water” does not designate affliction here; it means real, natural water, which is connected with God’s Word and becomes a very spiritual bath through the Holy Spirit or through the entire Trinity. Here Christ also speaks of the Holy Spirit and teaches us to regard Baptism as a spiritual, yes, a Spirit-filled water, in which the Holy Spirit is present and active; in fact, the entire Holy Trinity is there. And thus the person who has been baptized is said to be born anew. In Titus 3:5 St. Paul terms Baptism “a washing of regeneration and renewal in the Holy Spirit.” In the last chapter of Mark we read that “he who believes and is baptized will be saved” (Mark 16:16). And in this passage Christ declares that whoever is not born anew of the water and the Holy Spirit cannot come into the kingdom of God. Therefore God’s words dare not be tampered with. Of course, we are well aware that Baptism is natural water. But after the Holy Spirit is added to it, we have more than mere water. It becomes a veritable bath of rejuvenation, a living bath which washes and purges man of sin and death, which cleanses him of all sin.

Luther’s Works, 22:282-4.



Let's Reconnect



You're invited and encouraged to attend any of the four upcoming events intended to promote fellowship and financial support for the ministry at Zion and Lutheran South Unity School.

The parties, which will replace the annual dinner dance and auction canceled this year because of the pandemic, will offer a variety of food, drink and fun. Cost is \$25 per person, and **an additional appeal for support will be made at each event.** Space is limited, so please express your interest in any of the following by calling the church office as soon as possible at 744-1389:

*June 4 at 6:30 p.m. Hosted by Jim and Judy Voelz and Pastor and Marge Punke, featuring fine French wines.

*June 5 at 5 p.m. Hosted in Zion's Bauer Hall by award-winning Chef Eric and Jennifer Braun, featuring gourmet appetizers and delectable desserts.

*June 17 at 6 p.m. A taste of "Little Italy" hosted by Mark and Dana Muehl.

*June 19 at 5 p.m. Hosted by Kevin and Maribeth Leininger, featuring fine food, drink and cigars (outside, of course!) for those who enjoy them.

After informing the office of your preference, you will be called to confirm your interest and formalize your reservation.

The annual gala is an important part of our budget, so please prayerfully consider how you can support the work of the Lord at Zion and LSUS by attending one of these entertaining events. Or by sending a contribution to the office for Let's Reconnect



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

• **HOME DISTRICT:** Indiana

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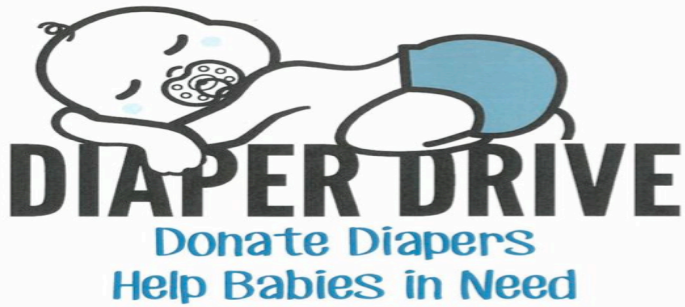
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Did you know:

1 in 3 U.S. moms report suffering from Diaper Need

URGENT, URGENT, URGENT

The need is greater we have a goal to collect
8500 diapers

Zion is collecting diapers for the
community diaper give-a-way event on August 21st

ALL size diapers

are needed, just bring your diapers to the church and place
them into the

bassinet. Last day to bring diapers will be August 6th.

For more information contact

TruLaine Starks

260-441-0753

LSUS NOTES
Praying for You!



Please pray for these students/staff:

Kindergarten	First Grade
Third Grade	Fourth Grade
Fifth Grade	Sixth Grade
Seventh Grade	Eighth Grade
Teachers/Staff	Parents

**Congratulations to our Graduating
8th Grade Students!**

Last Sunday LSUS 8th Grade had their graduation ceremony.

Valedictorian: Denver Zarate-Garcia

Salutatorian: Theresa Poe

Promise Ackles

Joshua DuMont

Brooklyn Fuller

Kendall Stevenson



Encouragement Found in Scriptures

Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. 1 Timothy 4:12

Field Day

Monday, May 24th the students from each class participated in Field Day. The students had a blast doing the following activities: Kickball, Tug-of-War, Water games, Chalk art, Parachutes, and Hulu Hoops! Here are some pictures for you to enjoy.



LSUS seeks Kitchen Manager

Lutheran South Unity School 5401 South Calhoun Street Fort Wayne, is looking for a part-time kitchen Manager. Interested candidates should apply by going to our website LSUSFW.org and filling out the application under 'employment opportunities' on the bottom of the front page.

LSUS Enrollment Time

We have a **virtual tour** and **Kindergarten video** on our website www.LSUSFW.org Kindergarteners must be 5 by August 1st 2021 to enroll. Please let you friends and family members know! Call to set up your pre-screening today! (260) 744-0459

Zion Stay-Safe Protocols

- ✿ Get vaccinated as soon as you can, if your health permits it. Hoosiers 12 and older can sign up to receive a vaccine. Those under 18 will receive the Pfizer vaccine.
- ✿ If you are sick, GO/STAY HOME; go to the doctor. Worship with us online.
- ✿ Continue to practice good hand hygiene by washing your hands and using hand sanitizer.
- ✿ Cough or sneeze into a tissue (then throw it away) or into your elbow.
- ✿ Those who have NOT been vaccinated are urged to wear a mask while in the pews for your own protection and the protection of others. Those who ARE FULLY vaccinated may wear a mask if you desire to do so; you are no longer being urged to do so.
- ✿ Practice social distancing in the pews according to your comfort level.
- ✿ Holy Communion will be served at the altar rail again, kneeling if you are able. Individual cups continue to be offered for the blood of Christ. Pick up an individual cup from the "source tray" on the small table to indicate your desire to drink the blood of Christ in this way. Put your used cup in the "used tray" as you return to your pew by one of the side aisles.
- ✿ We are greeting with a shake of the hands. We can still do a fist or arm bump if you desire it.
- ✿ Some snacks will return to the Great Hall to encourage socializing after the Divine Service.
- ✿ These protocols will, hopefully, be able to be loosened further or done away with soon.