Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00 am Sunday, August 7, 2022

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

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.

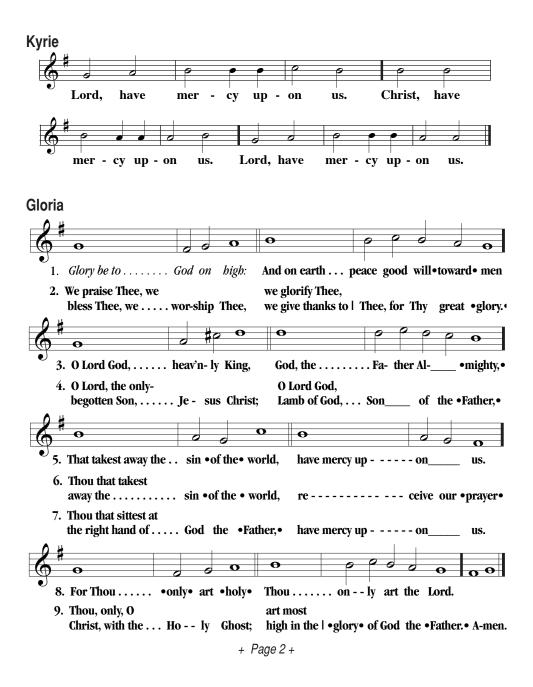
Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

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]	Sing to the Lord with thanks- •giving•; make melody to our God on the lyre! He covers the •heavens• with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth; he makes grass grow on the hills.				
Verse 1:	He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young •ravens• that cry. His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the legs of a man,				
Verse 2:	but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his stead-fast love. Praise the Lord, O Je- ru- sa- lem! Praise your God, O •Zion•!				
Gloria:	Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Ho- ly •Spirit•; As it was in the be- •ginning•, is now, and will be for- •ever.• A- men!				
[Antiphon]	Sing to the Lord with thanks- •giving•; make melody to our God on the				

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Salutation



Collect for the Ninth Sunday after Pentecost: Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

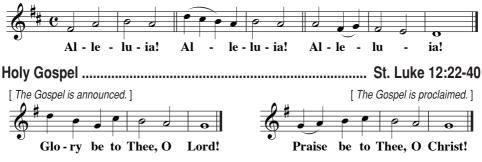


[Be Seated] + The Office of the Word of God +

Old Testament Reading	Genesis 15:1-6
[After the reading] This is the word of the Lord	
Epistle of the Day	Hebrews 11:1-16
[After the reading] This is the word of the Lord	

[Rise] Alleluia Sequence

[Deacon] Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." Alleluia!



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 \pm of the world to come. Amen!

[Be Seated] Hymn of the Day O Little Flock Burgundy Hymn 666

Sermon

Reception of New Members

Commissioning and Installation of the LSUS Faculty

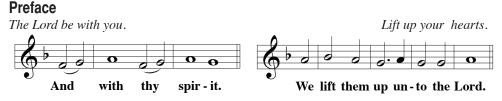
[Rise] Prayer of the Church

[Be Seated] Offerings, Voluntary





+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +



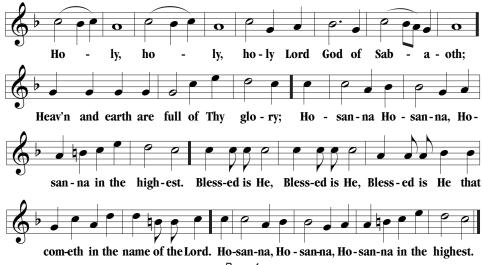
Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



It is meet and right so to do.

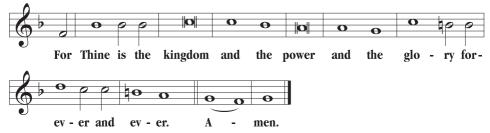
Common Preface, Sanctus

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



[Kneel] Lord's Prayer

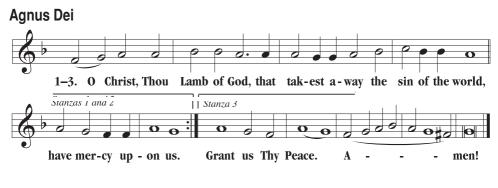
[Pastor chants:] Our Father who art in heaven; but deliver us from evil.



Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!





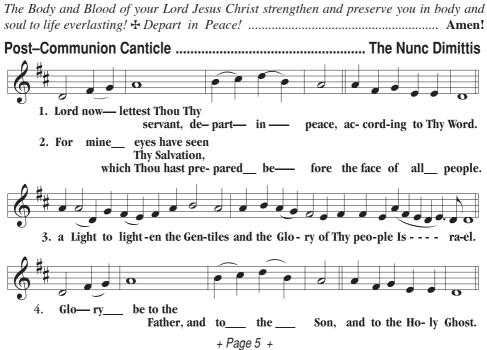
[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns How Firm a Foundation Burgundy Hymn 728

Now My Tongue Burgundy Hymn 630

[Rise for Stanza 5.]

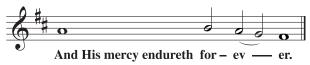
Eucharistic Benediction





Post Communion Rite

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



Prayer of Thanksgiving ... now and forever.



The Lord be with you.



Benediction

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



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

Recessional Hymn Evening and Morning Burgundy Hymn 726

Postlude

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Readings for the Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

The Old Testament Reading is Genesis 15:1-6

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

The Epistle is Hebrews 11:1-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation. By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore. These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

The Gospel is Luke 12:22-40

[Jesus] said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you.

"Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

"Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

Hymns for the Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

LSB666 O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe

Jacob Fabricius

- O little flock, fear not the foe Who madly seeks your overthrow; Dread not his rage and pow'r. And though your courage sometimes faints, His seeming triumph o'er God's saints Lasts but a little hour.
- Be of good cheer; your cause belongs To Him who can avenge your wrongs; Leave it to Him, our Lord. Though hidden yet from mortal eyes, His Gideon shall for you arise, Uphold you and His Word.
- As true as God's own Word is true, Not earth nor hell's satanic crew Against us shall prevail. Their might? A joke, a mere facade! God is with us and we with God— Our vict'ry cannot fail.
- Amen, Lord Jesus, grant our prayer; Great Captain, now Thine arm make bare, Fight for us once again! So shall Thy saints and martyrs raise A mighty chorus to Thy praise Forevermore. Amen.

LSB728 How Firm a Foundation

- How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word! What more can He say than to you He has said Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?
- "Fear not! I am with you, O be not dismayed, For I am your God and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

A Selection of Hymns, London

- "The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose I will not, I will not, desert to his foes; That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake!
- "When through fiery trials your pathway will lie, My grace, all-sufficient, will be your supply. The flames will not hurt you; I only design Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.
- "Throughout all their lifetime My people will prove My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love; And then, when gray hairs will their temples adorn, Like lambs they will still in My bosom be borne."

LSB630 Now, My Tongue the Mystery Telling Thomas Aquinas Text: © The Church Pension Fund; Used by permission. LSBHymnLicense.net #100012381.

- 1. Now, my tongue, the myst'ry telling Of the glorious body sing, And the blood, all price excelling, Which the Gentiles' Lord and King, Once on earth among us dwelling, Shed for this world's ransoming.
- Giv'n for us, and condescending To be born for us below, He with us in converse blending Dwelt, the seed of truth to sow, Till He closed with wondrous ending His most patient life of woe.
- 3. That last night at supper lying Mid the Twelve, His chosen band, Jesus, with the Law complying, Keeps the feast its rites demand; Then, more precious food supplying, Gives Himself with His own hand.
- 4. Word made flesh, the bread He taketh, By His word His flesh to be; Wine His sacred blood He maketh, Though the senses fails to see; Faith alone the true heart waketh To behold the mystery.
- △ 5. Glory let us give and blessing To the Father and the Son, Honor, thanks, and praise addressing, While eternal ages run; Ever too His love confessing Who from both with both is One..

LSB726 Evening and Morning

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 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,

Paul Gerhardt

Thine eye observes us, From danger preserves us, Causing Thy mercy upon us to shine.

- 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.
- 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.





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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: Field Worker: Rev. Douglas D. Punke, MDiv (341-5397) Patrick Jackson

The Teaching Staff At Lutheran South Unity

Principal: Teachers: Amber Bahr (744-0459) Yvonne Schwantz, Lily Hoffman, Abigail DeForest, Danielle Ramsey, Merideth Tourney, Abbey Zelt, John Fink, Hannah Maresh, Abby Springer, 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
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad, especially our fieldworker Patrick Jackson
- + For our nation; for our leaders, our military, including James Hall, especially at this perilous time in our world
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School and those being commissioned and/or installed today Amber Bahr, Abigail DeForest, Lily Hoffman, Abbey Zelt, & Abby Springer
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound, including Everett Beck and Doris Yerger
- + For those who are nearing death, including Willie Manning
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Debra Busche, Art Litke, William Wallschlaeger, Bill Weinrich, Paul Dolde, Tyler Muehl, Kathy Vlot, Willodean Bates, Julie Ganaway, Sherry Freeman, Gloria Gonzalez, Dick Hollman, Joe Harrison, Louisa Porter, Louise Petrillo, Ron Rastl, Marlow Hogan, Gregory Hogan, and Jenny Hobby
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages, especially Janice & Ed Grim
- + For the gift of life and for length of days, including Alyssa Seifert
- + 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
- + 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 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of the 21st birthday of Alyssa Seifert by her parents DaVanna & David Seifert. The Altar Vases are given in celebration of the 65th wedding anniversary of Janice & Ed Grim. 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.

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<u>CALENDAR</u>						
August 7, 2022 thru August 13, 2022						
SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service with LSUS Teacher	Church			
		Commissioning, Principal and Teacher Installation				
	10:30 AM	Reception for New Principal and Teachers	Bauer Hall			
MON.	9:00 AM	Free Haircuts for students	Great Hall			
	5:00 PM	LSA Board Meeting	LSUS Campus			
TUES.	10:00 AM	Pastor's last District BOD meeting	Zoom			
WED.	8:00 AM	First day of school	LSUS			
	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Church			
THURS.			Church			
			Conference Room			
FRI. SAT.		Pastor & Marge leave for Vacation No Private Confession today				
August 14, 2022						
SUN.	9:00 AM 10:30 AM	Divine Service Adult Bible Class	Church Bauer Hall			

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: No Adult Bible Class after Divine Service today. No Sunday School or Junior Catechesis on Sundays during the summer.

TODAY we receive Mike and Rita Davies into membership. They have long-time connections to Zion and Fort Wayne, but are coming back, having moved back to Fort Wayne from Las Vegas, NV. Welcome!

WELCOME to everyone here for the commissioning and installation of Mrs. Abigail DeForest, 6th grade homeroom teacher, the installation of Mrs. Amber Bahr as principal, and the installation of Ms. Lily Hoffmann (7th grade), Ms. Abbey Zelt (3rd Grade), and Ms. Abby Springer (Kindergarten) as non-commissioned teachers. It's a joyous occasion! A reception for our new teachers will follow the Divine Service.

PASTOR is going on vacation August 12th until August 21st. If you need spiritual care during this time please call the office and let Melvia know so that she can call an Elder. The Rev. Geoffrey Robinson, District Executive of Outreach, will be here to preach and celebrate and have Bible class. He may tell you about outreach work in the District.

FYI: The 5th Annual Open Streets Event will be taking place today, August 7, 2022, 12 p.m. - 4 p.m. Therefore, Calhoun St. from Promenade Park to Pontiac Street will be blocked off much of the day (9 AM -5 PM). If you're going home from church you may need to find a different route, maybe using Rudisill to the south or State to the north.

HELP NEEDED: we need 5 volunteers to help keep things in order tomorrow at the free haircut event. Please call Melvia or stop by the church by 9 am to help out. Thanks.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE: Hosea 14:9—"Whoever is wise, let him understand these things; whoever is discerning, let him know them; for the way of the Lord are right, and the upright walk in them, but transgressors stumble in them." Last week's verse was 1 Corinthians 10:13.

SIDEWALK ADVOCACY TRAINING Do you have a passion for helping women choose life? Join Right to Life of Northeast Indiana on Thursday, August 18th for Sidewalk Advocate Training and learn how to save lives. The training, provided by Sidewalk Advocates for Life, will take place at our **NEW Training Center at 3106 Lake Ave**, from 9am- 3pm. This one-day training will empower you to turn your passion into action. There is no cost to participate. Lunch will be provided for those in attendance. Visit: <u>www.ichooselife.org/advocate</u> or call our office at 260-471-1849.

LSUS NOTES: 1.) There is still a big box under the LSUS bulletin board that is for the deposit of school/art supplies listed on the bulletin insert. 2.) LSUS needs a part-time Cafeteria Assistant. Job requirements include having a high school diploma and an ability to push/pull, lift, and carry up to 50 pounds, stand for extended periods of time, kneel, reach overhead, and bend on a regular basis. Position primarily involves preparing and serving meals, and clean up. Must be able to follow all state rules and regulations regarding food service, including COVID-19 regulations. The part-time position is for about 3 hours a day, 4 days a week at \$13/hr. If interested, contact Kasey Hapner at <u>kneedhamhapner@lsusfw.org</u>.

GRIEFSHARE will be held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 3705 S. Anthony Blvd., Fort Wayne in the cafeteria on Tuesdays starting August 23, 2022, from 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm. There is a suggested donation of \$10.00 for the workbook. Please register by August 16 by contacting Rhonda in the church office at (260) 744-3228. This program is sponsored by the Mental Health Initiative at Bethlehem.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT When a father models faithful stewardship of the Gospel by being in worship, regular study of God's Word and leading family devotion and prayers, children will see the reflection of God in their father. (StewardCAST, July 2022)

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
Luke 12:22-40	The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost	Genesis 15:1-6
1 Corinthians 1:26-2:16	Monday	1 Samuel 24:1-22
1 Corinthians 3:1-23	Tuesday	1 Samuel 25:1-22
1 Corinthians 4:1-21	Wednesday	1 Samuel 25:23-44
1 Corinthians 5:1-13	Thursday	1 Samuel 1-28:227:
1 Corinthians 6:1-20	Friday	1 Samuel 29:1-30:30
1 Corinthians 7:1-24	Saturday	1 Samuel 31:1-13

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:

[T] For the tempted; for the addicted and despairing; for the tortured and oppressed; for the lonely; for the sick, the hospitalized, and the needy; Lord, in Your mercy, hear our praver. 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 <u>Matthew</u>, our synod president, <u>Daniel</u>, our district president, and <u>Richard</u>, our president-elect; for those who have not heard the Gospel; for the fruitful use of the blessed Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood; Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer. Amen!

[F] For the preaching of the Cross; for those persecuted for the sake of Gospel; the confession of the orthodox Lutheran faith in our community; Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer. Amen!

[Daily]

The Our Father

TO PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost Hebrews 11:17-40; 12:1-3



What Doctor Luther Says:

About the Kingdom of God - a Gift from the Father

The gospel is a good, joyful message which teaches me how to know God, through which knowledge I obtain the forgiveness of sins and eternal life. As Christ says to his Father in John [17:3], "This is eternal life, that they know thee the only true God and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent." He says the same things here in this Gospel: "No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and any one to whom the Son chooses to reveal him" [Matt. 11:27]. ...

But here you hear Christ saying that the Father "reveals" it, and again, that it is the Father's "gracious will"; and thus he actually nullifies all human merit. Here no satisfactions can help, here no works have any validity whatsoever. It is done only by the will and good pleasure of the Father. He does not look upon the person as it appears before the world; he neither disdains nor rejects the sinner, no matter how laden with sins he may be. So in Luke also Christ says to his disciples, "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom" [Luke 12:32]. This the hypocrites and work-saints cannot stand; in fact it makes them furious, raving mad that the foolish and simple, the publicans and open sinners should go into the kingdom of God before them [cf. Matt. 21:31], and they, with all their holiness and beautiful, fine, glittering works, be excluded. After all, it is enough to make a person mad. But what can we do for him? This is God's good pleasure; the one to whom He reveals it, has it, and the one from whom He hides it, it is hidden from him. There is nothing to be done about it.

Luther's Works, 51:126-7.



The Lutheran South Unity School community welcomes our new principal and staff. This will be a great year as a lot of plans are being worked on so that we can "Shine Like Stars". We want to be able to let our lives shine as we grow in the Word of Christ. Let us introduce you to:

Mrs. Amber Bahr, Principal: She and her husband, Mike, arrived here from Springfield, Illinois. Where she taught middle school science and was Science Curriculum Chairman at Our Savior's Lutheran School. She has a Bachelor of Science in Petroleum Engineering from Missouri University of Science and Technology. She has a Master of Science degree in Secondary Education with an emphasis on Middle School math and science from the University of Missouri, St. Louis. She also has a Master's of Business Administration from the University of Missouri, Kansas City. The Bahr's have been blessed with seven children. The youngest two have moved to Fort Wayne where one will be a freshman at Concordia High School and the other will be an eighth grader at LSUS. In her short time at LSUS she is learning quite a lot and has some great new ideas for the LSUS community.

Ms. Abby Springer, Kindergarten: She comes to us from Wyneken Lutheran School where she taught PE and first grade for the past three years. She graduated from IPFW with a Bachelor of Science degree in Education. LSUS is excited to have her on the staff as she is a caring teacher with strong communication skills and drive to excite students about learning.

Ms. Abbey Zelt, 3rd Grade: She graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree after attending Huntington University and PFW earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Education with a specialty for teaching students with exceptional needs. She also attended Suburban Bethlehem Lutheran School and Concordia High School. Her desire is to be a Lutheran school teacher. Her goal is to create a school atmosphere where students can grow to their full potential in a safe place so they can share their ideas and take risks.

Mrs. Abigail DeForest, 6th Grade: She will be the homeroom teacher for sixth grade. She will also be teaching math and some science in the sixth, seventh, and eighth grades. She graduated from Concordia University, Nebraska with a Bachelor of Science in Middle Level Education with a Mathematics Endorsement. This past year she taught fifth grade at Prince of Peace Lutheran School in Fremont, California. Her husband is completing his vicarage in California. He will complete his seminary studies at the Fort Wayne Seminary in May, 2023. Her goal is to continue to grow in teaching the Gospel of Jesus to her students so they can share their faith.

Ms. Lily Hoffmann, 7th Grade: Seventh grade will be her homeroom and she will be teaching social studies and PE to the sixth, seventh, and eighth grades. She graduated from PFW with a Bachelor of Science in Middle School Education with concentrations in social studies and mathematics. She loves helping students gain confidence in their ability to learn both inside and outside of the classroom. Her desire is for her students to grow goals in their learning that they can reach as they face their daily lives.

Ms. Tara Nehls, PE for Kdg-8th Grade: She will be serving as our new PE teacher for grades kindergarten through grades 5. However, she is not new to LSUS. She works for EACS in their Title 1 program at LSUS. Ms. Nehls will continue to do this as well as teach our physical education program. She has a Bachelor and Master degree in Education. Also, she has a Health Coach Certification so that she can teach Yoga and be a Wellness Coach at the YMCA. She lives in Fort Wayne with her two children. This is a great opportunity for Ms. Nehls as she wanted to only teach in one school each week. LSUS is that opportunity for her.

Ms. Kimberly Selig, Resource Room Teacher: LSUS works with Lutheran Special Education Ministries (LSEM) to staff our Resource Room teacher, Ms.Selig. She obtained her Bachelor of Science degree in Education from Indiana Wesleyan University. She is a Registered Behavior Technician and worked at Hopebridge. She also has worked at Sylvan, FWCS, and now for LSEM. Her experience in Resource Room teaching has been at Central Christian, Concordia Elementary, and now LSUS. She and her three children live in Fort Wayne. Her desire is to help children know that they are created unique and that God has great plans for them.



Amber Bahr, Principal



Abigail DeForest, 6th



Abby Springer, K



Lily Hoffman, 7th



Abbey Zelt, 3rd



Kimberly Selig, Resource Room

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE

100th Birthday

PARTY HONORING

DORIS YERGER

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20,2022, 2;00-7;00pm

Home of Karen Coleman

1312 HENDRIX RUN

RSVP TO KAREN 260-417-0553

If you are not able to attend, we encourage you to please send Doris a card.

Mrs. Doris Yerger C/O Mrs. Karen Coleman 1312 Hendrix Run Fort Wayne, IN 46818



FACT: 92.5% of American babies use disposables

Zion is collecting diapers for the community diaper give-a-way event on Sept 10th. size diapers needed: Newborn, 3, 5, 6, and 7 just bring your diapers to the church and place them into the bassinet. Last day to bring diapers will be August 31st.

Our Goal is to hit 4500 diapers to go with the diapers that we have already collected.

For more information contact TruLaine Starks 260-615-1873 or DaVanna Seifert 260-494-0803 Equipping Lutherans and their neighbors to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life



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Life Newsbytes

Despite false claims pro-life that pregnancy resource centers (PRCs) are "fake clinics," PRCs have saved over 800.000 lives from the violence of abortion in just the past five recorded years (2016-2020). This information comes from a report entitled "Saved Impact at U.S. Pregnancy Help Centers," published by the Charlotte Lozier Institute (CLI). ... According to CLI, the "lives saved measurement is specifically defined as the total number of pregnant women assessed as being at-risk for abortion who choose to carry and give birth to their child (or children, in the case of twins and multiples, whereby several lives are counted) after visiting a PHC." The information is contained in a de-identified dataset, they noted. CLI defined abortion-minded (AM) versus abortion-vulnerable (AV) women as follows: An AV woman "has not eliminated the possibility of abortion; she lacks support from significant influencers; and she is undecided about her pregnancy." An AM woman "is seeking information on how to obtain an abortion; she has an abortion scheduled; and an abortion procedure has been initiated (such as the introduction of laminaria, or ingestion of the first pill, Mifeprex, in chemical abortion)." In total, CLI says pregnancy centers have saved 828,131 lives in the U.S. (2016-2020). (Life Action News, 7/8/22; CLR LifeWire, 7/14/22)

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Speaking up For Life

"Let us recognize that the patterns of the past point not only to our need for a Savior, but also to the work Christ has accomplished for us. Let us live as For Life people, confident that our future is founded on promises that will be kept. And let us rejoice in the opportunities we have to share the message of LIFE with others!" *Michelle Bauman*, *Director of Y4Life for Lutherans For Life*

"God shows us what it is to love every single day. Even the grace He gives us to change people's hearts toward Him is an outpouring of His love. Let us love like Christ and sacrifice our time to save His unborn children. Let us show mothers who have had or are thinking of having an abortion the love that has been so beautifully bestowed upon us by our Father." *Christina Hogan, Southhampton Students for Life (UK)*

"Our youth are a gift of God—our future voice and our For Life voice, now! Take a moment and read Titus 2 and ponder Paul's teaching in light of Proverbs 1:5: 'Let the wise hear and increase in learning, and the one who understands obtain guidance.' Then invite, encourage, and mentor youth in your circle today." *Rev. Jeff Duncan, Assistant Director of Volunteer Relations for Lutherans For Life*

Since 1973: 63,459,781 abortions in America

Source: www.lifenews.com/2022/01/07/63459781-babieshave-been-killed-in-abortions-since-roe-v-wade-in-1973



SAVE THE DATE! Lutherans For Life NATIONAL Conference October 21-22, 2022 Rock Island, Illinois (Quad Cities) lutheransforlife.org/conference

The LFL National Conference is back! Lutherans For Life national conferences allow our team to come directly to you with the For Life Gospel message. These gatherings are wonderful times spent together where we can provide valuable information and encouragement to you, your community, and the life-affirming work you are engaged in!

Friday, October 21 – 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. | Saturday, October 22 – 8:30 a.m. to noon

Speakers

Melissa Ohden | Jeanne Mancini | Steve Deace

Workshop Leaders

Rev. B. Keith Haney | Father Frank Pavone | Rev. Fred Hinz Col. John Eidsmoe | Rev. Dr. Wade Mobley | Deaconess Pam Nielsen Dr. Roni Grad | Dr. Kim Marxhausen | Deaconess Tiffany Manor Rev. Michael Salemink | Rev. Scott Licht | Michelle Bauman Virginia Flo | Deaconess Chrissie Gillett | Rev. Dr. Gregory P. Seltz, PhD

Special Friday Night Banquet Music

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Conference Registration

LFL Members: \$125 | Non-Members: \$150 Students: \$25 | Children 12 and under: FREE





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JOIN THE GOLDEN HEIRS

Event: History of City Glass by Michael Hollman

Date: Friday, September 16

Time: 10 a.m. to 11a.m. (Meet at church @ 9:45 for ride)

Location: Zion Lutheran Church, Bauer Hall

2313 S. Hanna St.

Lunch following at The Oyster Bar. 1830 S. Calhoun St.

RSVP to Carole by September 7

Email: RadCar1969@comcast.net or 483-0650



LSUS needs your help collecting school/art supplies for this upcoming 2022-2023 school year!

You can place donations in the donation box at your church or drop off at the school. If you are an Amazon shopper, you can ship directly to LSUS.

5401 South Calhoun St. Fort Wayne, IN 46807

- Colored printer paper (8.5x11inch)
- Colored card stock printer paper
- Lined post-it's (3x3 inched)
- 9x12 in. clasp mailing envelopes (25 needed)
- bags of latex balloons 12 in. (25 balloons needed)
- 25 composition notebooks, wide ruled
- Post it easel pad, 25x30 inch
- Jumbo-sized Ziploc bags
- 4x6 inch index cards (lined or unlined)
- Glue sticks
- Colored expo markers
- 1 inch binder rings (50 needed)
- Desk stapler
- Desk tape dispenser
- 1 inch graph paper
- 1/2-inch graph paper
- Packages of 10 count wide Crayola markers
- Packages of Ticonderoga brand pencils
- Kleenex boxes
- Clorox or other brand sanitizing wipes
- Multi-skin tone band-aids





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KING'S COMMUNITY OUTREACH

BACKPACK & SCHOOL SUPPLY GIVEAWAY

Sunday, August 7th 2pm-until supplies are gone

BETHLEHEM CHURCH 3705 S. ANTHONY BLVD ENTER ON EUCLID OFF OF OXFORD ST.

PRAYER along with FREE Food, Games, Prizes and MORE!!!