Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00 am Sunday, July 3, 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:

- who have been baptized in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
- who have been instructed in the truth of Holy Scripture as taught in the Lutheran Confessions, who have been confirmed (b) 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;
- who believe that in this sacrament the real body and blood of Christ are truly distributed to them and orally received (c) by them, bestowing on them the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation;
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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. **\forall = 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
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
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 \(\frac{1}{2}\) Son and of the Holy Spirit

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



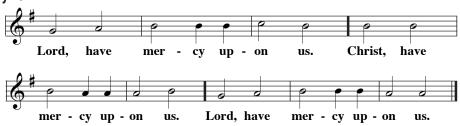
The heavens declare the | •glory• of God, || and the sky above pro- | claims [Antiphon] his hand- i- | work. | Day to day | pours out speech, | and night to | night reveals | •knowledge•.

- Verse 1: Their measuring line goes out through I all the earth, II and their words to the | end__ of the | world. || In them he has set a tent | for the sun, || which comes out like a bridegroom | leav- ing his__ | •chamber•,
- And, like a strong man, runs its | course with joy. || Its rising is from the | end Verse 2: of the | •heavens•, || and its circuit to the | end of them, || and there is nothing | hid-den from its | heat.

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

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9. Thou, only, O

Christ, with the . . . Ho - - ly Ghost;



art most

Thou on - - ly art the Lord.

high in the | •glory• of God the •Father.• A-men.

Salutation

The Lord be with you.



Collect for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost: Almighty God, You have built Your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone. Continue to send Your messengers to preserve Your people in true peace that, by the preaching of Your Word, Your Church may be kept free from all harm and danger; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



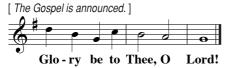
[Be Seated] + The Office of the Word of God +

Alleluia Sequence

[Deacon] Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! 'Peace be to this house!' 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' Alleluia!



Holy Gospel St. Luke 10:1-20





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!

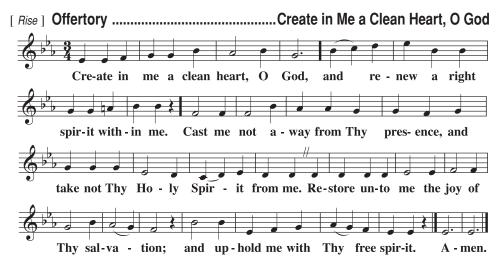
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Hymn of the Day Jesus Has Come and Brings Burgundy Hymn 533

Sermon

[Rise] Prayer of the Church

[Be Seated] Offerings, Voluntary



+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

Preface

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.





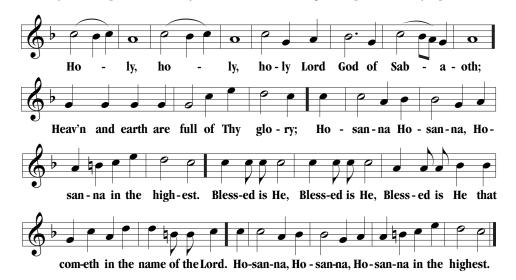
Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



It is meet and right so to do.

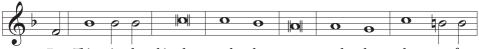
Common Preface, Sanctus

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

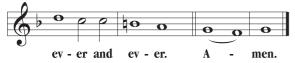


[Kneel] Lord's Prayer

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



For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glo - ry for-

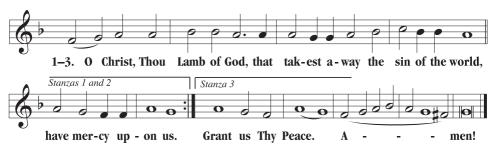


Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



Agnus Dei



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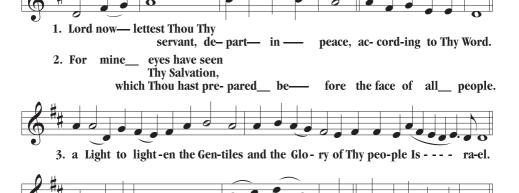
Distribution Hymns When I Survey the Wondrous .. Burgundy Hymn 426

Spread the Reign of God Burgundy Hymn 830

Eucharistic Benediction

Post-Communion Canticle

...... The Nunc Dimittis

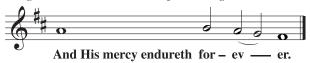


4. Glo—ry__ be to the Father, and to__ the __ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



Post Communion Rite

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



Prayer of Thanksgiving ... now and forever.



The Lord be with you.



Bless we the Lord.



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 Eternal Father, Strong to Save ... Burgundy Hymn 717

Postlude

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Readings for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

The Old Testament Reading is Isaiah 66:10-14

"Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her; that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance."

For thus says the LORD:

"Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip, and bounced upon her knees.

As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bones shall flourish like the grass; and the hand of the LORD shall be known to his servants, and he shall show his indignation against his enemies."

The Epistle is Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. For each will have to bear his own load.

One who is taught the word must share all good things with the one who teaches. Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith....

But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircum-cision, but

a new creation. And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

The Gospel is Luke 10:1-20

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!'

And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.' I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

"Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades.

"The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me."

The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Hymns for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

LSB533 Jesus Has Come and Brings Johann Ludwig Conrad Allendorf

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

LSB426 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Isaac Watts

- When I survey the wondrous cross
 On which the Prince of Glory died,
 My richest gain I count but loss
 And pour contempt on all my pride.
- 2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

- 3. See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sorrow and love flow mingled down! Did e'er such love and sorrow meet Or thorns compose so rich a crown?
- 4. Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a tribute far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all!

LSB830 Spread the Reign of God the Lord Jonathan Friedrich Bahnmaier

- 1. Spread the reign of God the Lord, Spoken, written, mighty Word; Ev'rywhere His creatures call To His heav'nly banquet hall.
- 2. Tell how God the Father's will Made the world, upholds it still, How His own dear Son He gave Us from sin and death to save.
- 3. Tell of our Redeemer's grace, Who, to save our human race And to pay rebellion's price, Gave Himself as sacrifice.
- 4. Tell of God the Spirit giv'n Now to guide us on to heav'n, Strong and holy, just and true, Working both to will and do.
- 5. Enter, mighty Word, the field; Ripe the promise of its yield. But the reapers, oh, how few For the work there is to do!
- 6. Lord of harvest, great and kind, Rouse to action heart and mind; Let the gath'ring nations all See Your light and heed Your call.

LSB717 Eternal Father, Strong to Save William Whiting

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- Eternal Father, strong to save,
 Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
 Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
 Its own appointed limits keep:
 O hear us when we cry to Thee
 For those in peril on the sea.
- 2. O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain, O'er which our traffic runs amain, By mountains pass or valley low; Wherever, Lord, Thy people go, Protet them by Thy guarding hand From ev'ry peril on the land.

- 3. O Spirit, whom the Father sent
 To spread abroad the firmament;
 O Wind of heaven, by Thy might
 Save all who dare the eagles's flight,
 And keep them by Thy watchful care
 From ev'ry peril in the air.
- 4. O Trinity of love and pow'r,
 Our people shield in danger's hour;
 From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
 Protect them where-soe'er they go;
 Thus evermore shall rise to Thee
 Glad praise from air and land and sea.

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

The Teaching Staff At Lutheran South Unity

Principal: Sheila Nehrenz (744-0459)
Teachers: Gene Koch, Yvonne Schwantz, Barry Chrzan,

Danielle Ramsey, Merideth Tourney, 3rd vacant,

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, especially the Indiana District meeting in Convention this week
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad, especially our fieldworker Patrick Jackson; for vicars-elect, including Erik Saunders, and pastors-elect, including Kyle Nelson
- + 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, those who have accepted our calls Amber Bahr & Abigail DeForest, and those whom we have contracted Abby Springer, Lily Hoffman, & Abbey Zelt
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound, including Everett Beck and Doris Yerger
- + For those who are near death, including Willie Manning and Marianne Billings.
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Josefa Schaper, 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 Judy and Marty Thomas
- + For the gift of life and for length of days, especially Chayce Williams
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit, including Jim Crouse
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones, especially the family of Cheryl Silvers and the family of Thomas DiBella
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed, especially Eva Widner
- + 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 honor of Eva Widner, whose birthday is on July 4th, by her daughter Joyce Gottschalk. The Altar Vases are given in celebration of Judy and Marty Thomas' 27th wedding anniversary. The Baptismal Bud Vase is given in recognition of Jim Crouse's baptism on this day in 1949 at Faith Lutheran Church in Arlington, VA. 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

July 3, 2021 thru July 9, 2022				
SUN.	9:00 AM	Sunday Divine Service	Church	
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Class	Bauer Hall	
MON.		Office Closed — Independence Day		
TUES.	7:00 PM	Elders Council	Conference Room	
WED.	10:00 AM	Junior Catechesis	Zoom	
	5:30PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Church	
THURS.				
FRI.				
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church	
		July 10, 2022		
SUN.	9:00 AM	Sunday Divine Service	Church	
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Class	Bauer Hall	

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: Pastor Punke today will continue with a Bible Study prepared for the 175th Anniversary of the Synod. No Sunday School or Junior Catechesis on Sundays during the summer.

CONGRATULATIONS to Khaliyah McNair and Chance Williams at the birth of their daughter, Chayce, born June 7.

TODAY, we bid farewell to Erik, Katie, and Stephen Saunders as they travel to Erik's vicarage congregation, Christ the King Lutheran, Billings, MT, where he will continue his service. Godspeed.

ZION'S BIANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL ASSEMBLY will be held Sunday, July 17, after the Divine Service. Business includes next year's budget, elections to congregational offices, and elections and/or nominations for next year's Synod Convention.

SEMIANNUAL giving statements are available at Julie's table today after service. If you have any questions, please contact Melvia at the office (Melvia will be out of the office July 5-7 and back on July 11).

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE: Isaiah 64:8—"But now, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand." Last week's verse was Proverbs 22:6.

EMMAUS LUTHERAN SCHOOL, 8626 Covington Road, Fort Wayne, is searching for a full-time elementary school secretary. Individual will report to the school principal and work with parents and teachers. Benefits include insurance, retirement, and paid time off. For more information, contact Joann Olsen, Interim Principal, 260-459-7722, press option 3.

CULTIVATING RESILIENCE AFTER TRAUMA is an event being held at Zion Friedheim on Thursday, August 18, beginning with a meal at 5:30 p.m. with the presentation starting at 6 p.m. Reservations may be made by contacting Joe Gorman by cell at 260.706.0999 or by e-mail at preblegormans@gmail.com. The reservation deadline is Sunday, August 7, 2022. There is no charge for the meal; however, a free-will donation may be received to offset the cost of the meal. This one and one-half hour workshop will explore understanding how the neurobiology of trauma affects us as humans.

LIFE DEFENDERS TRAINING Join Right to Life of Northeast Indiana July 15 at 4:30 pm - July 16 at 5:00 pm. This overnight event, open to high school and college-age students, equips young people to speak confidently and graciously to the most pressing moral issue of our time – abortion. The \$35 registration fee includes meals, dorm room housing, teaching materials, and a Life Defenders t-shirt. For more info, visit: www.ichooselife.org/Training.

STRIDES OF HOPE WALKATHON 22 will be held on Saturday, August 20, at Morsches Park, Columbia City. The walk begins at 9:00 AM with a check in time of 8:30 AM. The 2-mile paved walk is fun for the whole family; or you can get a small group together and walk to save lives. To register for this event go to www.ahopecenter.org or call 260-969-4357.

EMMANUEL/ST. MICHAEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL is seeking qualified candidates for the position of Finance Manager. This is a full-time position. Candidates preferably should have a Bachelor's degree in Finance or Accounting and 5-10 years of experience in those fields. Applications will be accepted through July 11. Learn more and access application forms by calling the school office at 260.422.6712 or email principal@esmeagles.com.

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 10:1-20	The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost	Isaiah 66:10-14
Acts 11:19-30	Monday	Joshua 10:1-25
Acts 12:1-25	Tuesday	Joshua 23:1-16
Acts 13:1-12	Wednesday	Joshua 24:1-31
Acts 13:13-41	Thursday	Judges 2:6-23
Acts 13:42-52	Friday	Judges 3:7-31
Acts 14:1-18	Saturday	Judges 4:1-24

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:

[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 Your 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 Your 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 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!

[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 Your mercy, hear our prayer. Amen!

[Daily] The Our Father

TO PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



What Doctor Luther Says:

About Peace and Discord in the Church

[N]ow that they not only have let the diet [of Augsburg] disband without bearing any fruit and without peace, but have even confirmed the discord and concluded with defiant threats, my followers and I will also withdraw our prayers in compliance with God's command and, as St. John teaches [I John 5:16], not pray for the sin unto death. Rather we shall see how God will baptize the hardened Pharaoh in the Red Sea. Our prayers and supplications for peace, even though lost on the impenitent, will help us all the more. In fact, they have already performed great miracles at Augsburg. And by the grace of God they will also succeed in the end. For we were heard and must be heard. Our prayers have not failed us in the past, nor will they fail us now—that I know for a certainty. Amen! It will happen as Jesus said, that whenever the apostles' greetings or peace found no reception or no children of peace in a house, their peace returned again to them [Matt. 10:13; Luke 10:6]. So too in this case, since the clergy heed neither prayer nor peace, both prayer and peace will not be lost on that account but will revert to us. And in place of prayers, nothing but curses, in place of peace nothing but discord, and both in abundance, will be the clergy's lot. Amen.

Therefore, because their plans are built exclusively on force and their cause relies on the power of the fist, over against the manifest and known truth of God, no one need fear them. Let everyone be of good cheer and unafraid before such raging foes of God

Luther's Works, 47:12.



It's that time of year again

FACTS: Babies require up to 12 diapers per day, at a cost of \$70-\$80 per month per babya cost many families can't afford

Zion is collecting diapers for the community diaper give-a-way event on Sept 10th.

Newborn, 3, 5, & 7 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 31st.

*Last year Zion Lutheran Church gave away locally 3,180 diapers which was 95 packages of diapers.

For more information contact TruLaine Starks 260-615-1873 or DaVanna Seifert 260-494-0803



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Life Newsbytes

Lutherans For Life rejoices that an egregious injustice has been rectified. Thanks be to God for the Supreme Court's reversal of the erroneous Roe v. Wade decision! Our nation and culture owe a great debt of gratitude to fifty years of Gospel-motivated voices For Life. Their faithful witness of courage and compassion has influenced successive generations to acknowledge the reality that God creates, redeems, and calls every human life to be His own precious treasure from fertilization to forever. And we delight to receive each one as a gift and a privilege.

Nevertheless, we recognize that significant labor remains ... Laws and leaders can foster good and forbid evil, but only the truth of God's Word and the love of the Body of Christ can change hearts and save lives.

So, we rededicate ourselves all the more intently to speaking truth and showing love to the one right in front of us ... We pledge ourselves not to allow our fellowship to become apathetic following this positive development. And we are already undertaking to improve and expand our equipping of Gospel-motivated voices to declare and demonstrate the grace of God in Jesus Christ to all members of our race, no matter what age, appearance, or ability. May He bless our land, our authorities, and our people to have life and share it abundantly!

word-of-hope.org **Y4Life.org**

Speaking up For Life

"The creation of the world and its government is the work of the Lord, and it is not in His declared plan that man will destroy it. The fright peddlers are giving too much power to man. It is God's power they need to recognize, not man's. If man is the basic power, then the answers must come from man, but if God is the sovereign power, then the answers must come from God and none other. God has provided the answers, and they are in His Word. Our problem is that men pay no attention to them." *R. J. Rushdoony, author and theologian*

"In this current darkness of confusion, fear, isolation, sickness, and death, the Gospel shines even more brightly ... Eternity tells you that you aren't cursed with less but guaranteed gloriously more than you could imagine. No matter what the next day brings, your future is bright because a victory has been won for you." *Paul David Tripp, pastor, author, and conference speaker*

"You, too, are one of the people Jesus came to rescue. You are one that He loves enough to suffer and even die for. His intention is to give you life—everlasting life—just as He has risen from the dead and will never die again. He is your king, and He wants you in God's kingdom." Dr. Kari Vo, Lutheran Hour Ministries

Since 1973: 63,459,781 abortions in America

Source: www.lifenews.com/2022/01/07/63459781-babies-have-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

