

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL SAINTS

9:00 am Sunday, November 3, 2024

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!*

[Rise] **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.

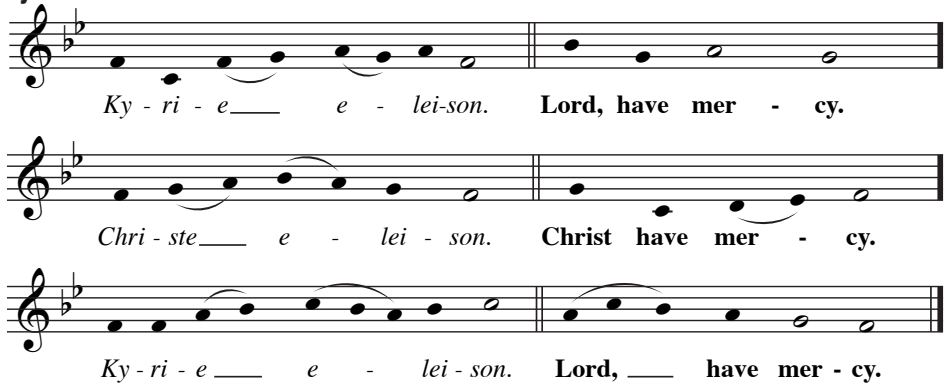
O almighty God, merciful Father; I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy 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 We Sing for All the Unsung Saints ... Burgundy Hymn 678

Kyrie

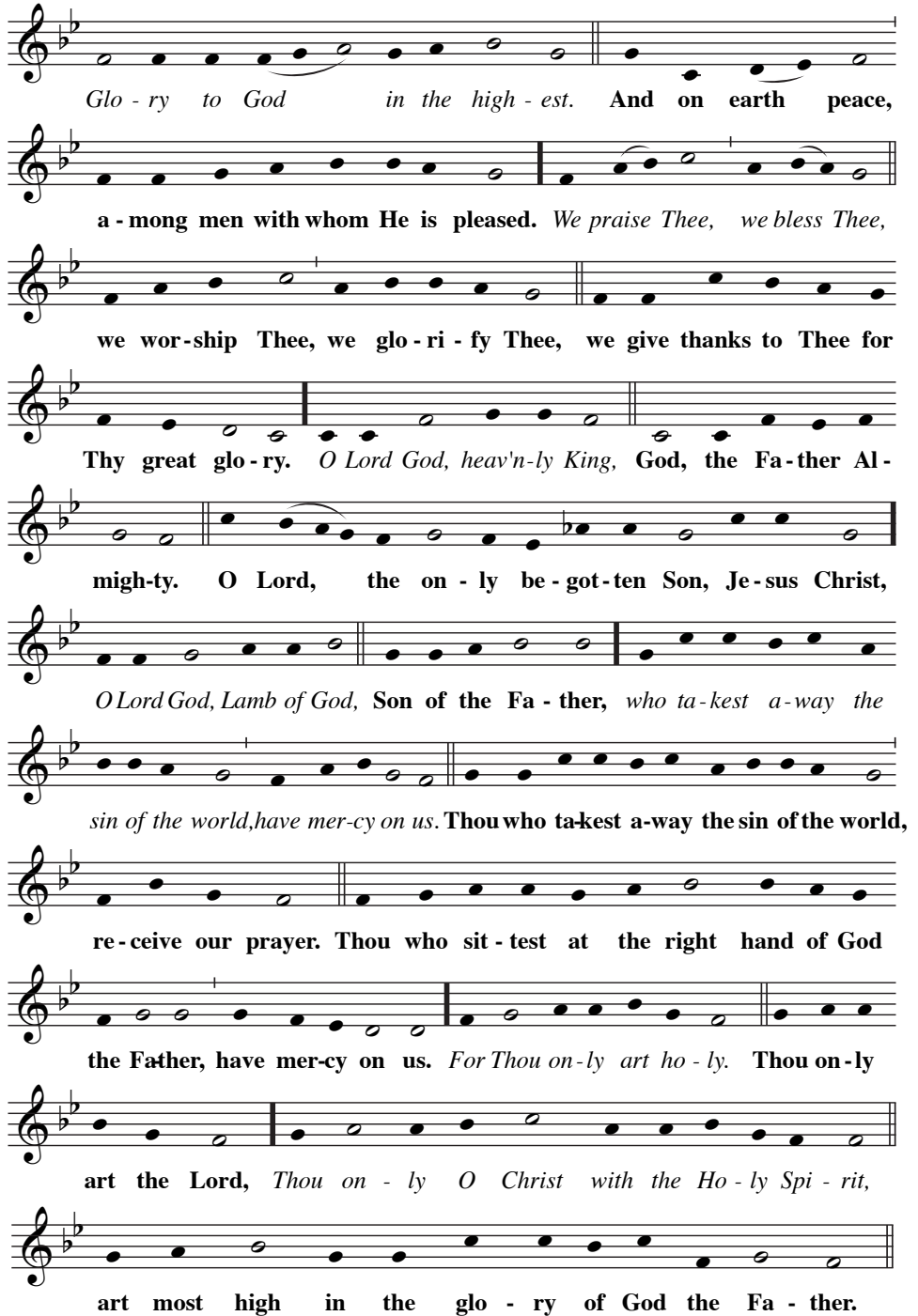


Ky - ri - e — e - lei-son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chri - ste — e - lei - son. Christ have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e — e - lei - son. Lord, — have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis



Glo - ry to God in the high - est. And on earth peace,

a - mong men with whom He is pleased. We praise Thee, we bless Thee,

we wor-ship Thee, we glo - ri - fy Thee, we give thanks to Thee for

Thy great glo - ry. O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God, the Fa - ther Al -

migh - ty. O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ,

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, who ta - kest a - way the

sin of the world, have mer - cy on us. Thou who ta - kest a - way the sin of the world,

re - ceive our prayer. Thou who sit - test at the right hand of God

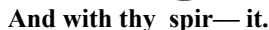
the Father, have mer - cy on us. For Thou on - ly art ho - ly. Thou on - ly

art the Lord, Thou on - ly O Christ with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

art most high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.



The Lord be with you.



A———men!

+ The Office of the Word of God +

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

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

[*Rise*]

Sequence Hymn Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones Burgundy Hymn 670

Holy Gospel St. Matthew 5:1-12

[The Gospel is announced.]



[*The Gospel is proclaimed.*]



Confession of Faith (The Nicene Creed)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

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

And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sits at the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe in one Holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen!

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

Hymn of the Day For All the Saints Burgundy Hymn 677

[All sing stanzas 1 & 2; Men sing stanzas 3 & 5; Women sing stanzas 4 & 6; All sing stanzas 7 & 8;
Rise for stanza 8.]

[Be seated] **Sermon**

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

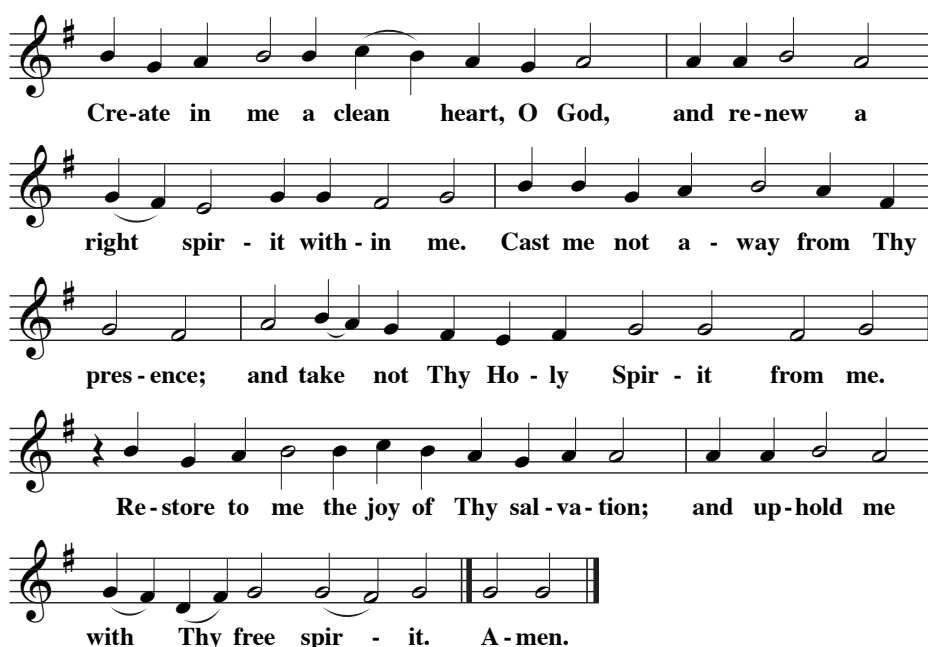
[Rise] **Prayer of the Church**

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**

Choral Voluntary "If Ye Love Me" T. Tallis

[Rise] **Offertory Hymn 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 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.



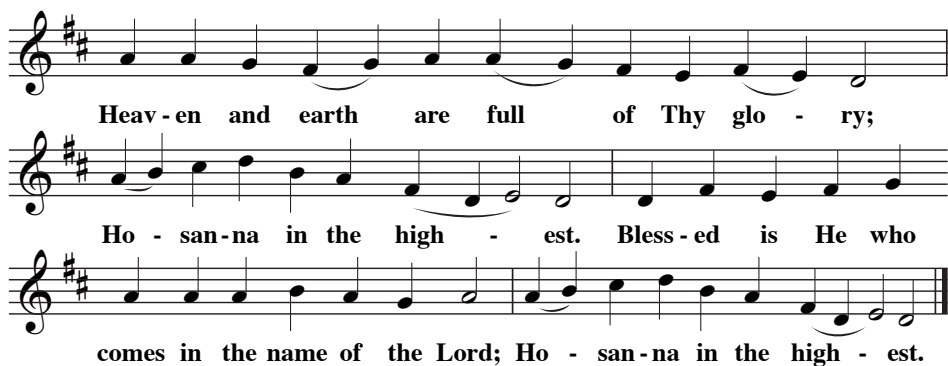
It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface for All Saints' Day, Sanctus

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



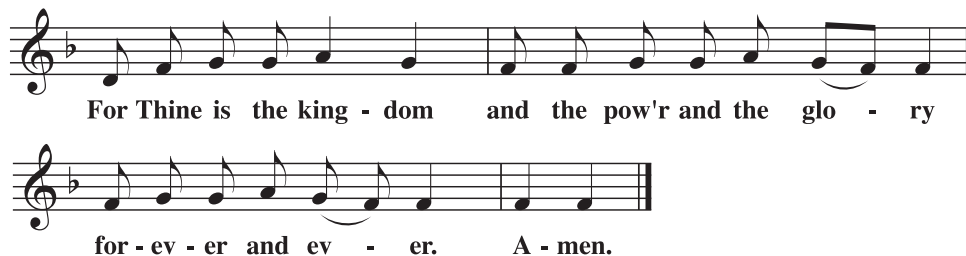
Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly, Lord God of hosts:



Heav - en and earth are full of Thy glo - ry;
Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord; Ho - san-na in the high - est.

[Kneel] **Lord's Prayer**

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



For Thine is the king - dom and the pow'r and the glo - ry
for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

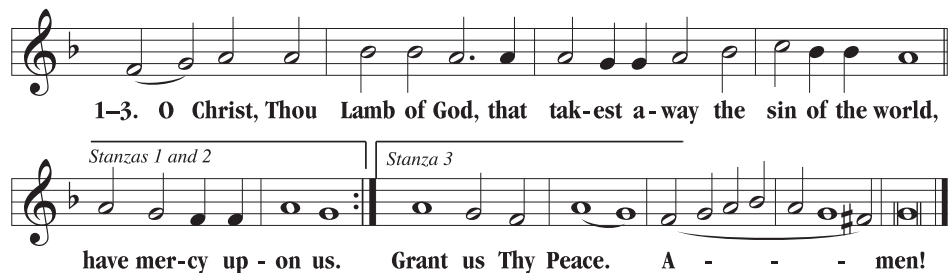
Words of Institution, Pax Domini

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 Oh, How Blest Are They Burgundy Hymn 679

Oh, What Their Joy Burgundy Hymn 675

[Rise] **Eucharistic Benediction**

The Body and Blood of your Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting! ✠ Depart in Peace! Amen!

Post-Communion Canticle **The Nunc Dimittis**



1. Lord now— lettest Thou Thy
servant, de- part— in — peace, ac- cord-ing to Thy Word.
2. For mine_ eyes have seen
Thy Salvation,
which Thou hast pre- pared_ be— fore the face of all_ people.



3. a Light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the Glo- ry of Thy peo-ple Is - - - ra-el.



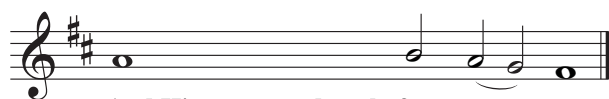
4. Glo— ry___ be to the
Father, and to___ the ___ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



5. As it___ was in the
beginning, is
now, and e—ver shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

Post Communion Rite

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



And His mercy endureth for — ev — er.

Prayer of Thanksgiving ...now and forever.



A — men.

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir — rit.

Bless we the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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



A - men, A - men, A - men.

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

Recessional Hymn Glorious Things Burgundy Hymn 648

[Sung to the tune "Abott's Leigh" (LSB 646.)

Postlude

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Readings for the Feast of All Saints

The First Reading is Revelation 7:2-17

Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, saying, “Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.” And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,
12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,
12,000 from the tribe of Gad,
12,000 from the tribe of Asher,
12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,
12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,
12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,
12,000 from the tribe of Levi,
12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,
12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,
12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,
12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

“Therefore they are before the throne of God,
and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.
They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;

the sun shall not strike them,
nor any scorching heat.
For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of living water,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

The Epistle is 1 John 3:1-3

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we will be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

The Gospel is Matthew 5:1-12

Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Hymns for the Feast of All Saints

LSB678 We Sing for All the Unsung Saints

Carl P. Daw, Jr.

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1. We sing for all the unsung saints, That countless, nameless throng,
Who kept the faith and passed it on With hope steadfast and strong
Through all the daily griefs and joys No chronicles record,
Forgetful of their lack of fame, But mindful of their Lord.
2. Though uninscribed with date or place, With title, rank, or name,
As living stones their stories join To form a hallowed frame
Around the myst'ry in their midst: The Lamb once sacrificed,
The Love that wrested life from death, The wounded, risen Christ.
3. So we take heart from unknown saints Bereft of earthly fame,
Those faithful ones who have received A more enduring name:
For they reveal true blessing comes When we our pride efface
And offer back our lives to be The vessels of God's grace.

LSB670 Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

J. Athelstan L. Riley

1. Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, Raise the glad strain: "Alleluia!"
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, pow'rs,
Virtues, archangels, angels' choirs:
"Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"
2. O higher than the cherubim,
More glorious than the seraphim, Lead their praises: "Alleluia!"
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the Lord:
"Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"
3. Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye patriarchs and prophets blest: "Alleluia, alleluia!"
Ye holy Twelve, ye martyrs strong,
All saints triumphant, raise the song:
"Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"
- △ 4. O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing: "Alleluia, alleluia!"
To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One:
"Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"

LSB677 For All the Saints

William W. How

1. For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
2. Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- M 3. Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old
And win with them the victor's crown of gold! Alleluia! Alleluia!
- W 4. Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- M 5. And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- W 6. The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
7. But lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of glory passes on His way. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- △ 8. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia!

LSB679 Oh, How Blest Are They

Simon Dach

1. Oh, how blest are they whose toils are ended,
Who through death have unto God ascended!
They have arisen From the cares which keep us still in prison.
2. We are still as in a dungeon living,
Still oppressed with sorrow and misgiving;
Our undertakings Are but toils and troubles and heartbreakings.
3. They meanwhile are in their chambers sleeping,
Quiet and set free from all our weeping;
No cross or sadness There can hinder their untroubled gladness.

4. Christ has wiped away their tears forever;
They have that for which we still endeavor,
By them are chanted Songs that ne'er to mortal ears were granted.
5. Come, O Christ, and loose the chains that bind us;
Lead us forth and cast this world behind us.
With You, the Anointed, Finds the soul its joy and rest appointed.

LSB675 Oh, What Their Joy

Peter Abelard

1. Oh, what their joy and their glory must be,
Those endless Sabbaths the blessed ones see!
Crowns for the valiant, to weary ones rest;
God shall be all, and in all ever blest.
2. In new Jerusalem joy shall be found,
Blessings of peace shall forever abound;
Wish and fulfillment are not severed there,
Nor the things prayed for come short of the prayer.
3. We, where no troubles distraction can bring,
Safely the anthems of Zion shall sing;
While for Your grace, Lord, their voices of praise
Your blessed people shall evermore raise.
- △ 4. Now let us worship our Lord and our King,
Joyfully raising our voices to sing:
Praise to the Father, and praise to the Son,
Praise to the Spirit, to God, Three in One.

LSB648 Glorious Things of You Are Spoken

John Newton

Sung to the tune "Abbot's Leigh" (LSB646)

1. Glorious things of you are spoken, Zion, city of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken Formed you for His own abode.
On the Rock of Ages founded, What can shake your sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded, You may smile at all your foes.
2. See, the streams of living waters, Springing from eternal love,
Well supply your sons and daughters And all fear of want remove.
Who can faint while such a river Ever will their thirst assuage?
Grace, which like the Lord, the giver, Never fails from age to age.
3. Round each habitation hov'ring, See the cloud and fire appear
For a glory and a cov'ring, Showing that the Lord is near.

Thus deriving from their banner Light by night and shade by day,
Safe they feed upon the manna Which God gives them on their way.

4. Savior, since of Zion's city I through grace a member am,
Let the world deride or pity, I will glory in Your name.
Fading are the world's vain pleasures, All their boasted pomp and show;
Solid joys and lasting treasures None but Zion's children know.

The Feast of All Saints



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Zion Lutheran Church is the body of Christ at Hanna and Creighton in Fort Wayne, Indiana that:

- Receives Christ's gifts in Word and Sacraments; and
- Responds to God's love in Christ by
 - Reaching out to those who do not know His love; and
 - Revealing His love in acts of kindness and mercy.

The Pastoral Ministry at Zion

Senior Pastor:

Rev. Douglas D. Punke, MDiv (341-5397)

Field Workers:

Matthew Harrison, Nathaniel Demlow

The Teaching Staff at Lutheran South Unity

Principal:

Amber Bahr (744-0459; www.lsusfw.org)

Teachers:

Yvonne Schwantz (8th, MS ELA), Michael Cullen (7th, MS Science),

Chase Mertz (6th, MS Social Studies), Danielle Ramsey (5th, Abbey Kohler (4th),

Tiffany Scheurich (3rd), John Fink (2nd), Hannah Fink (1st), Rachel Wiegman (K-A),

Michelle Madden (K-B), Natalie Reynolds (Art), Open Position (Music),

Lizzy Hoham (Progress Partners Coach), Cathie Wakeland (Literacy Coach), Gary Arrington (PE, AD)

The Support Staff

Organist and Director of Parish Music:

Michael Hollman, MM

Church Office Manager:

Melvia Culpher

PRAYERS FOR TODAY

- + For the church, especially those bearing the cross of persecution, including Bishop Juhana Pohjola and Dr. Päivi Räsänen
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad, especially our fieldworkers Matthew Harrison and Nate Demlow, and for Paul Mroczenski vicaring in Puerto Rico
- + For our nation; for our leaders; for our military, including James Hall; especially at this perilous time in our world
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School, Concordia Lutheran High School, and Concordia Theological Seminary
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound
- + For those who are on hospice care, especially Janice Grim
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Richard Lammert, John & TruLaine Starks, Connie Houser, Estella Ramirez, Kevin Leininger, Bill Weinrich, Debra Busche, Dwight Bieberich, Willodean Bates, Dick Hollman, Jerry & Elaine Seifert, Jane Porter Gresham, Bob Ockree, Joe Harrison, Louisa Porter, Marlow Hogan, Marissia White, Elizabeth Lindsay, Gary Phillips, Dwight Johnson, Ron Rastl, and Robert & Jenny Hobby; also for Richard England, Jr. who remains missing.
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages, especially Maribeth & Kevin Leininger
- + 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
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed, including Fred Hill
- + 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 Feast of All Saints. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of the 40th wedding anniversary of Maribeth and Kevin Leininger. The Altar Vases are given in loving memory of Fred Hill by DaVanna & David Seifert and family. Please complete an attendance communion card, including the names of all children, and indicate if you are communing. Non-members, please read the back of the card.

CALENDAR

November 3, 2024 thru November 9, 2024

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
	2:00 PM	RLNI Closing Prayer	Lake Ave.
MON.	7:00 PM	Tim Goegelein presentation — Stumbling toward Utopia	Bauer Hall
TUES.	7:15-9:30 PM	Bach Collegium Rehearsal	Bauer Hall
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion	Conference Room
	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Chapel
THURS.	7:00 PM	Council of Elders meeting	Conference Room
FRI.	12 – 7 PM	Bach Collegium Rehearsal	Church
SAT.	10 AM–5 PM	Bach Collegium Rehearsal	Church
	12 NOON	4 Church Rummage Appreciation Luncheon	Bauer Hall

November 10, 2024

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
	4:00 PM	Bach Collegium Fall Concert	Church

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: Adult Bible Class with Dr. Voelz the Gospel according to St. Mark. Sunday School is as needed. Parents of young children, let us know your needs.

SAVE THE DATE: Zion will hold a special Congregational Assembly on November 17, after the Divine Service. We have some business to take care of regarding the June 2025 Indiana District Convention. Our regular semi-annual Assembly will be in January.

CLEAN UP: The leaves are turning color and starting to come down, which means it's almost time for Zion's fall clean up. So please join us Nov. 16 from 9 a.m. to noon, as we'll be raking, trimming, cleaning inside and out, and sprucing up the small park at Hanna and Creighton. Brings rakes, pruning trimmers, and other equipment you may need. Coffee, juice, and donuts will be served! Contact Kevin Leininger at 615-9896 for more information.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE: 1 Corinthians 15:22—"For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive." Last week's verse was Ephesians 1:13.

GIFT PLANNING CAN ENSURE that your charitable intent is honored in your overall estate plan. An estate plan addresses many concerns with intent of bringing the process of administering your estate into conformity with state law. There are many rabbit trails to follow during the estate planning process. If we aren't careful, we may lose the opportunity to dig into how gifts to ministry can be important for the sharing of the Gospel into the future. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you keep your family and ministry in focus throughout the process. Contact Mark Muehl at 260-241-4845 or mark.muehl@lfn.org.

BACH COLLEGIUM is at Zion on Sunday, November 10, 2024 at 4 pm for their fall concert. The Collegium is offering discounted tickets of \$20 to Zion members. Just identify yourselves thus at the ticket counter.

CLHS needs to fill two short-term substitute positions from November – February: a Science teacher and a Math teacher. To find out more or to send your resume, contact Patrick Frerking, Principal at pfrerking@clhscadets.com or 260-483-1102 Ext 291.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE – CLOSING PRAYER Join Right to Life of Northeast Indiana today, November 3rd at 2 pm in front of Planned Parenthood for a brief prayer and message to end our 40 Days for Life fall campaign. Planned Parenthood is located at 2930 Lake Ave, Fort Wayne, IN 46805. Parking is available at the Right to Life office on 3106 Lake Ave. For more info please visit www.ichooselife.org/40days or call 260-471-1849.

ELECTION DAY PRAYER VIGIL at Emmaus Lutheran ... *"First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way"* (1Ti 2:1-2 ESV). On Election Day Tuesday, Nov 5, Emmaus Lutheran (8626 Covington Rd.) is holding a prayer vigil by the cross outside while the polls are open from 6 am – 6 pm, and a brief Prayer Service at the close of the polls at 6 pm. Emmaus would like to invite you to join us for prayer for our nation, state, and local leaders. Materials such as Bibles and hymnals will be available for use. This Prayer Vigil is NOT for a political party or specific candidates. You may come and join us at any time during the day and pray with us.

LIFE DEFENDERS TRIP to The National March for Life College-aged and high school students are invited to join Right to Life of Northeast Indiana on a bus trip to the National March for Life in Washington, D.C. We leave the evening of January 22nd and return home early morning on Saturday, January 25th. We want YOU on the bus with us for this life-changing experience! Learn more at www.ichooselife.org/dc or call our office at 260-471-1849. Registration ends Dec. 15th.

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

Matthew 5:1-12

Matthew 22:23-46

Matthew 23:1-12

Matthew 23:13-39

Matthew 24:1-28

Matthew 24:29-51

Matthew 25:1-13

DAILY LECTIONARY

The Feast of All Saints

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Evening Prayer

Revelation 7:2-17

Jeremiah 5:1-19

Jeremiah 7:1-29

Jeremiah 8:18-9:12

Jeremiah 11:1-23

Jeremiah 20:1-18

Jeremiah 22:1-23

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 Your 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 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!**

[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 Richard, 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 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 Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 17:8-16

Hebrews 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44



What Doctor Luther Says:

About Faith that Forgets this World's Rottenness

[I]f we, ... persevere in trials, then we [will] certainly learn to know the name and nature of God, namely, that He not only brings it about that we forget our troubles but that those who have been reduced to nothing even grow and are multiplied. ...

We should also acknowledge these works and exercise ourselves in them. For we must be humiliated and mortified, and the grain of wheat that has been thrown into the ground must die and rise again with manifold fruits (John 12:24). ... For we are buried and committed to the earth, to rottenness and worms. We are sown (cf. 1 Cor. 15:42–44) in weakness, corruption, dishonor, and foulness, in such a mean and disgraceful form that it is almost more desirable not to have been born than to be gnawed and consumed so ignominiously by worms and rottenness. Thus we are reduced to nothing. ... Accordingly, although all things in this life do not flow according to our will and good pleasure, nevertheless in the future life we, too, will declare: “God has made me forget my father’s house and all my trouble.”

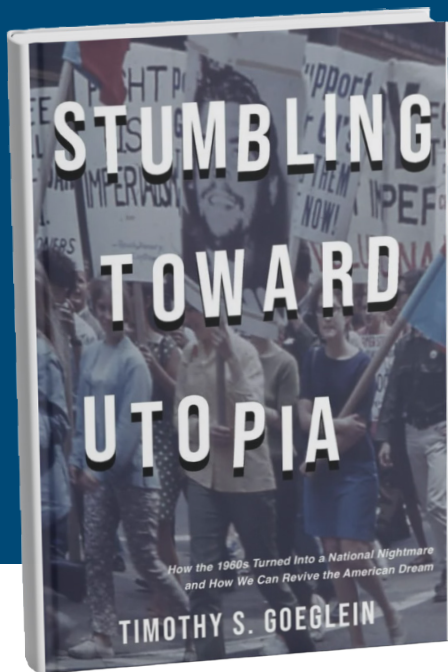
This forgetting should gradually come upon us even in this life. For although at the present time, while worms and rottenness are before our eyes, we cannot be unmindful of them, nevertheless there will be a time when God will wipe away every tear, as is stated in Rev. 7:17. Therefore faith should begin to forget tears and dishonor which it does not see. Although the eyes see the rottenness, the ears hear the complaints and sobs, and the noses smell the stench of the corpses, nevertheless it is the part of faith to say: “I do not know this. I see nothing. Indeed, I see a multiplication and a brightness surpassing the sun itself and the stars.”

Therefore such examples are set before us in order that we may learn that God is the Creator of all things, restores the dead to life and glorifies worms and the foulest rottenness. And He wants this to be acknowledged and celebrated by us in this life in faith. Later, however, in the future life, we shall experience it in actual fact.

Luther’s Works, 7:210–11.



Stumbling toward Utopia with Tim Goeglein November 4, 2024, 7 - 9 p.m.



Zion Lutheran Church is pleased to host Tim Goeglein, Vice President of Government and External Relations at Focus on the Family, for a timely discussion of his inspiring new book, *Stumbling toward Utopia: How the 1960s Turned Into a National Nightmare and How We Can Revive the American Dream*. Please join us at Zion, 2313 Hanna St., Fort Wayne!

Tim is a life-long Lutheran (LCMS) with experience in the White House under George W. Bush and at Focus on the Family. He will speak about the moral and social revolution of the 1960s and the impact of that revolution on marriage, family, parenting, human life, religious liberty, conscience rights, parental rights, and the pronoun battle.

Copies of Tim's book will be available for purchase, and Tim will inscribe them. Light refreshments will precede the talk, and a hymn sing will conclude the evening.



Please RSVP by October 30th
to Melvia at office@zionfw.org
or call 260-744-1389.



LIFE NEWS—NOVEMBER 2024



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Life Newsbytes

Pharmacists Are Now Providing Abortion Pill Reversals to Save Babies – The second chance for women to choose life through Abortion Pill Reversal continues to see success in large part thanks to the many medical professionals who are aware of its impact and are willing to implement it. In a recent development, pharmacists are now included in the roster of healthcare professionals on board to work with the Abortion Pill Rescue® Network (APRN). This addition of pharmacists to the APRN creates another layer of expertise supporting the lifesaving opportunity provided by Abortion Pill Reversal (APR). Two drugs are used to perform a chemical abortion, also known as the abortion pill, mifepristone and misoprostol. Mifepristone acts as a progesterone blocker. Progesterone is a necessary natural hormone for retaining pregnancy. Misoprostol is taken 24 hours later and causes the uterus to contract and expel the pregnancy ... APR entails progesterone prescribed to the woman after she has taken mifepristone but before she would take the misoprostol. Countering the mifepristone with bioidentical progesterone may save the pregnancy. A 2018 peer-reviewed study found that 64%-68% of the pregnancies were saved through APR. (Read more: www.lifenews.com/2024/10/23/pharmacists-are-now-providing-abortion-pill-reversals-to-save-babies)

Speaking up For Life

"Our comfort and motivation do not derive from laws. We neither live only according to the body nor labor for this world alone. No matter who holds office or how they decide and lead, the Lord our God reigns." *Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life*

"What could be more joyful and rewarding than to share with everyone the best news they will ever hear: Jesus has saved you from sin and death and won eternal life for you as a free gift of His love. Let's roll up our sleeves and begin today with the prayer, 'Lord, help me be an eager worker in Your kingdom.'" *Daily Devotions, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Sister Lakes, Michigan*

"Being For Life is right in line with God's plan of creation! YOU are the missing element that is needed! Don't be satisfied to sit back and wait because now is the time! Don't stop praying as you ponder your next step. Ask God for His guidance and be ready for more than you asked for, as we have a loving and merciful God who loves life. Please consider being a part of a life-affirming ministry in your congregation. Help protect lives and serve God in this special calling." *Virginia Flo, Director of Volunteer Relations, Lutherans For Life*



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Hope and a Future

by Pastor Michael Salemink



“‘For I know the plans I have for you,’ declares the LORD, ‘plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope’” (Jeremiah 29:11).

What a delightful and beloved assurance Jeremiah delivers from our Heavenly Father!

The prophet is ministering to a heartbroken Israel. Pagan Babylonians have deported their people from the Promised Land and left their Jerusalem in ruins. Yet even amid this despair, the Lord God has not forgotten His covenant or abandoned His plan of salvation for the chosen people—and ultimately the whole world.

These words anticipate two fulfillments. First, after seventy years in exile, the people will return, rebuild, and resettle. Second, in seven hundred years, Jesus the Savior will fulfill what all Israelite history prefigures and gather all the elect of humankind into a new heavens and earth inaugurated by His sacrifice and resurrection.

Our Almighty Maker has always had in mind good things for His people. He continually regards them with forgiveness and favor that invite us to hope in what’s coming. Of course, the blessings may not all materialize immediately. And God’s grace does not exclude us from all difficulty. Those living during and even after Babylonian captivity struggle under the curse of sinfulness. False prophets and unfaithful inhabitants face severe consequences.

(The NIV translation, “... plans to prosper you and not to harm you ...,” misleads a little. “Prosper” sounds like material gain, and “not to harm” sounds like invincibility from all injury. ESV’s “... plans for welfare and not for evil ...” captures the sense of survival and salvation—rather than primarily profit—and shielding from what endangers the soul—instead of principally what disturbs the body.)

How appropriate for the life issues. Difficult situations like surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis can tempt us to forget our Savior’s presence and power. Comfort comes not from making deals with death but from the gifts He wrings and the privileges He brings even in and through hardship. An everlasting, unchanging, and all-sufficient Creator and Keeper not only provides life, He protects it as well!



Voting in Allen County

You surely know it's election season. Pastor encourages you to exercise your right to vote. The Allen County Election Board (allencountyinvoters.gov) instructs its residents that you may vote in one of three ways: By Mail, Early in Person, On Election Day (Nov. 5) in Person. Voter registration has closed for this election season.

TO VOTE BY MAIL, you must be a registered voter and you must submit an application to vote by mail. The easiest way to apply is online at the state's Voter Portal (indianavoters.in.gov/MVPHome/PrintDocuments). You can also apply by paper by emailing the Election Board at acebab@allencounty.us, or calling them at 260-449-7329 to request an application (or printing one) and returning it by October 24, 2024 at 11:59 PM. Applications can be accepted online, in person, by mail, fax or email. Then, voted ballots must be returned to the Election Board office by 6 PM on Election Day. Ballots can be returned by USPS or in person to the Election Board office. USPS officials advise that first class mail turnaround is five to seven days.

TO VOTE EARLY IN PERSON for the 2024 General Election, go to one of the voting locations at the available times (see back side). Be sure to bring your photo ID — the best one is your Driver's License, but others will work. If you don't have one, you can still vote a provisional ballot.

TO VOTE ON ELECTION DAY, go to your precinct, again with your ID.

Allen County is divided into precincts for voting. Voting on Election Day happens between the hours of 6:00 AM and 6:00 PM.

If you do not know your precinct, you can visit allencountyinvoters.gov, click on "Where Do I Vote?", and type in your address. You will be shown a map and given information on your precinct. You can also download a sample ballot so you can prepare in advance for whom you'd like to vote.

If you'd like recommendations on the elections, I suggest looking at the Right to Life of Northeast Indiana site: ichooselife.org/voters-guide for a printable voters guide.

Much of the above information was summarized from the Allen County Election Board website © 2022 – All Rights Reserved

VOTE EARLY

YOUR TIME • YOUR VOICE • YOUR VOTE

VOTE AT ONE of FIVE LOCATIONS in ALLEN COUNTY

2024 General Election

Vote at Rousseau Centre - 1 E Main St

Mon - Fri, 10/8 - 10/25: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Sat, 10/26: 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Mon - Fri, 10/28 - 11/1: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Sat, 11/2: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Mon, 11/4: 8:00 AM - Noon



SATELLITE LOCATIONS



ONLY on 10/28 – 11/2

Indiana Wesleyan University - 8211 W Jefferson Blvd

Ivy Tech Coliseum Campus - 3800 N Anthony Blvd

Public Safety Academy - 7602 Patriot Crossing

Salomon Farm Park - 817 W Dupont Rd

Mon - Fri, 10/28 - 11/1: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Sat, 11/2: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

25th Annual Conference
**Good Shepherd
Institute**



Through the Church the Song Goes On

November 10–12, 2024

ACTSFW
CONCORDIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
FORT WAYNE, INDIANA

Deadline for registration is November 1, 2024.
For more information or to register online, visit
ctsfw.edu/GSI or scan the QR code.



Music Events

**ALL MUSIC EVENTS ARE
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

**All events below will take place
in Kramer Chapel.**

Organ Recital

Sunday, November 10, at 4:30 p.m.

*Jeffrey Smith (Professor of Organ at the Indiana
University Jacobs
School of Music, Bloomington, Indiana)*

All Saints' Choral Vespers

Sunday, November 10, at 7:30 p.m.

*Schola Cantorum, chamber orchestra, and soloists
will sing Bach Cantata 9, "Es ist das Heil uns
kommen her" ("Salvation Unto Us Has Come")
and Schütz, "Sing to the Lord a New Song,"
directed by Kantor Kevin Hilbrand*

Hymn Festival

Monday, November 11, at 7:30 p.m.

*Kantorei and Fort Wayne Philharmonic Brass
with organist Matthew Machemer*

**The events above are also part of the
Good Shepherd Institute Conference.
Visit ctsfw.edu/GSI for complete details.**

Advent Candlelight Evening Prayer

Saturday, December 14, at 4:00 p.m.

**For information on other events
at CTSFW throughout the year,
please scan the code or visit
ctsfw.edu/events.**



ADDISON AGEN & JENSEN SNYDER

FREE SHOW • NOV 9TH • 6:30 PM
Wolf Arena @ Concordia Lutheran Church
4245 Lake Ave. Fort Wayne, IN 46815



Concordia Lutheran Church warmly invites the community to a special concert featuring Addison Agen and Jensen Snyder on **November 9 at 6:30 PM in the Wolf Arena**. As part of the church's year-long celebration of its 125th Anniversary, the event promises an evening of uplifting music featuring acclaimed local talent.

Headlining the concert is Fort Wayne native and The Voice finalist, **Addison Agen**, whose soulful voice and heartfelt performances have won her national recognition.

Opening the show will be talented singer-songwriter **Jensen Snyder**, whose heartfelt melodies and captivating performances have made her a rising star.

This event is open to all, and admission is free, though donations are welcome to support the church's ministry and outreach efforts. We'd love for you to come and be part of this memorable evening of music, community, and celebration!

HURRICANE HELENE UPDATE



HURRICANE HELENE made landfall near Perry, Fla., on Sept. 26 as a Category 4 storm. Since that time, it has left a devastating trail of death and destruction across the southeastern United States. The death toll is currently estimated at more than 180 people in six states.

On Sept. 30, the Rev. Dr. Ross Johnson, director of LCMS Disaster Response, departed for a multi-day visit to assess the damage, after which an initial response plan will be developed in cooperation with the districts affected. Other LCMS districts and Recognized Service Organizations are also assisting with the response.

While early reports seemed to indicate the damage would not be extensive, that quickly changed. In Florida, the Tampa and St. Petersburg areas sustained severe flooding, with multiple homes taking in water, making them currently uninhabitable. Meanwhile, south-central Georgia experienced significant tree damage, and western North Carolina — particularly Asheville — remains in dire conditions, with closed roads impeding transportation, and widespread power and cellular outages making communication difficult or impossible.

Johnson encourages everyone in the LCMS to take part in the response as they are able. First, and most important, please pray for those affected by the storms. Second, consider volunteering to assist with the response. Third, consider a gift to LCMS Disaster Response.

PRAYER

Lord of heaven and earth, we know that you hold all things and people in Your hands. In your mercy, provide for the needs of those who have been affected, in big ways or small, by Hurricane Helene. Work through the efforts of those who bring relief, aid and comfort, and protect all involved from any further harm. Most of all, help us to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith. In His name we pray. Amen.

TO VOLUNTEER

Visit lcms-jert.org.

TO GIVE

VISIT lcms.org/givenow/ disaster.

TEXT “LCMSDISASTERS” to 41444.

CALL the LCMS toll-free gift line between 8 a.m. and 4:10 p.m. Central time at 888-930-4438.

MAIL — Make checks payable to “The Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod” (or “LCMS”). On the memo line, write “Disaster Response” and mail to the LCMS, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861.

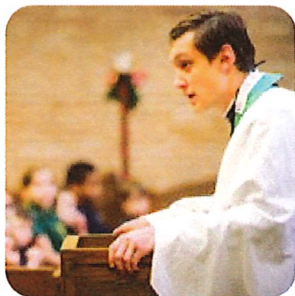
Gifts are tax-deductible as allowed by law.



"I thank my God in all my remembrance of you always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now," writes St. Paul in his letter to the Philippians (PHIL. 1:3).

THANKS
be to
God
for those
who work in our
congregations
and schools!

With this same gratitude, we thank the more than 11,000 church workers who serve our Synod with the Word and mercy of Christ. Throughout this month, congregations and schools are encouraged to show their appreciation for all church workers.



For teachers especially we give thanks, who teach God's Word to our children, dedicate countless hours to the classroom, who love the children of God they teach and who live a life of service to Christ and His church.



For all church workers, from pastors to deaconesses to directors of Christian education, parish music, family life and outreach, who teach God's Word and point us to Christ. Tell them "Thank you!" this month for all they do!

Set Apart to Serve seeks to create an intentional culture of church worker formation and recruitment in every LCMS congregation, school and entity. Visit resources.lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve to learn more.

