

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00 am Sunday, July 28, 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!*

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

The Office of Confession of Sins and Absolution

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

[Kneel]

Our help is in the name of the Lord Who made heaven and earth. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord. And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

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

The Congregation rises, turns towards the entrance of the nave, and faces the Cross of Christ, the reminder of Christ's promise to come and dwell among His people as they are gathered in His name.

Introit



[Antiphon] *On the glorious splendor of your | ma- jes- ty, || and on your wondrous works, | I will med- i- | tate. || I will extol you, my | God and King, || and bless your | name for- •ever• and | •ever•.*

Verse 1: **Every day | I will •bless you• || and praise your | name for- •ever• and | •ever•. || Great is the Lord, and greatly | to be praised, || and his greatness | is un- search- a- | ble.**

Verse 2: *They shall speak of the might of your | awe- some deeds, || and I will de- | clare your great- | ness. || They shall pour forth the fame of your a- | bun- dant •goodness• || and shall sing aloud | of your right- eous- | ness.*

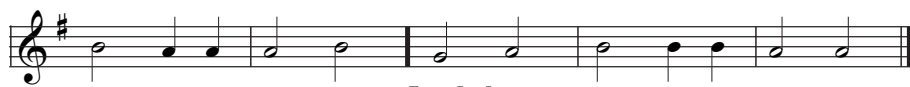
Gloria: **Glory be to the Father and | to the Son: || and | to the Ho- ly | •Spirit•; || As it was in the be- | •ginning•, is now, || and will | be for- •ever•. A- | men!**

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Kyrie



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



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

Gloria



1. *Glory be to God on high: And on earth . . . peace good will •toward• men*
2. **We praise Thee, we we glorify Thee,
bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee, we give thanks to | Thee, for Thy great •glory•.**



3. **O Lord God, heav'n- ly King, God, the Fa- ther Al-___ •mighty•,**
4. **O Lord, the only- O Lord God,
begotten Son, Je- sus Christ; Lamb of God, . . . Son___ of the •Father•,**



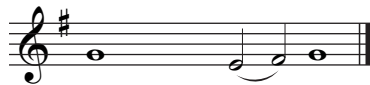
5. **That takest away the . . sin •of the• world, have mercy up - - - - - on___ us.**
6. **Thou that takest away the sin •of the• world, re - - - - - ceive our •prayer•**
7. **Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the •Father•, have mercy up - - - - - on___ us.**



8. **For Thou •only• art •holy• Thou on - - - ly art the Lord.**
9. **Thou, only, O art most
Christ, with the . . . Ho - - - ly Ghost; high in the | •glory• of God the •Father•. A-men.**

Salutation

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir— it.

Collect for the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost: *Almighty and most merciful God, the protector of all who trust in You, strengthen our faith and give us courage to believe that in Your love You will rescue us from all adversities; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*



A ——— men!

[Be Seated]

+ The Office of the Word of God +

Old Testament Reading Genesis 9:8-17

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

Epistle of the Day Ephesians 3:14-21

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

[Rise]

Alleluia Sequence

[Deacon] *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid. Alleluia!*



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

Holy Gospel St. Mark 6:45-56

[The Gospel is announced.]



Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord!

[The Gospel is proclaimed.]



Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

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!

[Be Seated]

Hymn of the Day Entrust Your Days and Burdens Burgundy Hymn 754

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

Sermon

[Rise] Prayer of the Church

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

[Be Seated] Offerings, Voluntary

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

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

+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

Preface

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

And with thy spir - it. We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

It is meet and right so to do.

Common Preface, Sanctus

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

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

[Kneel] **Lord's Prayer**

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

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glo - ry for-
 ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

A - men.

Agnus Dei

1-3. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world,
 Stanzas 1 and 2 | Stanza 3
 have mer-cy up - on us. Grant us Thy Peace. A - - - - men!

[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns Lord Jesus Christ Burgundy Hymn 622

[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

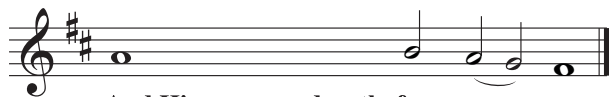
1. Lord now— lettest Thou Thy
 servant, de— part— in — peace, ac— cord— ing to Thy Word.
 2. For mine__ eyes have seen
 Thy Salvation,
 which Thou hast pre— pared__ be— fore the face of all__ people.
 3. a Light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the Glo- ry of Thy peo-ple Is - - - - ra-el.
 4. Glo— ry__ 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 Eternal Father, Strong to Save ... Burgundy Hymn 717

[Sing stanzas *2 and *3 as found on the facing page.]

Postlude

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Readings for the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Old Testament Reading is Genesis 9:8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, “Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

The Epistle is Ephesians 3:14-21

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

The Gospel is Mark 6:45-56

Immediately [Jesus] made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the

crowd. And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized him and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and implored him that they might touch even the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

Hymns for the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

LSB754 Entrust Your Days and Burdens

Paul Gerhardt

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1. Entrust your days and burdens To God's most loving hand;
He cares for you while ruling The sky, the sea, the land.
For He who guides the tempests Along their thund'rous ways
Will find for you a pathway And guide you all your days.
2. Rely on God your Savior And find your life secure.
Make His work your foundation That your work may endure.
No anxious thought, no worry, No self-tormenting care
Can win your Father's favor; His heart is moved by prayer.
- W3. Take heart, have hope, my spirit, And do not be dismayed;
God helps in ev'ry trial And makes you unafraid.
Await His time with patience Through darkest hours of night
Until the sun you hoped for Delights your eager sight.
- M4. Leave all to His direction; His wisdom rules for you
In ways to rouse your wonder At all His love can do.
Soon He, His promise keeping, With wonder-working pow'rs
Will banish from your spirit What gave you troubled hours.
5. O blessèd heir of heaven, You'll hear the song resound
Of endless jubilation When you with life are crowned.
In your right hand your maker Will place the victor's palm,
And you will thank Him gladly With heaven's joyful psalm.
6. Our hands and feet, Lord, strengthen; With joy our spirits bless"
Until we see the ending Of all our life's distress.
And so throughout our lifetime Keep us within Your care
And at our end then bring us To heav'n to praise You there.

LSB622 Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared

Samuel Kinner

1. Lord Jesus Christ, You have prepared This feast for our salvation;
It is Your body and Your blood, And at Your invitation
As weary souls, with sin oppressed, We come to You for needed rest,
For comfort, and for pardon.
2. Although You did to heav'n ascend, Where angel hosts are dwelling,
And in Your presence they behold Your glory, all excelling,

And though Your people shall not see Your glory and Your majesty
Till dawns the judgment morning,

3. Yet, Savior, You are not confined To any habitation;
But You are present even now Here with Your congregation.
Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Unmoved by any daring hand
Or subtle craft and cunning.
4. We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your precious Word believing
That Your true body and Your blood Our lips are here receiving.
This Word remains forever true; All things are possible with You,
For You are Lord Almighty.
5. Though reason cannot understand, Yet faith this truth embraces:
Your body, Lord, is even now At once in many places.
I leave to You how this can be; Your Word alone suffices me;
I trust its truth unailing.
6. Lord, I believe what You have said; Help me when doubts assail me.
Remember that I am but dust, And let my faith not fail me.
Your supper in this vale of tears Refreshes me and stills my fears
And is my priceless treasure.
7. Grant that we worthily receive Your supper, Lord, our Savior,
And, truly grieving for our sins, May prove by our behavior
That we are thankful for Your grace And day by day may run our race,
In holiness increasing.
8. For Your consoling supper, Lord, Be praised throughout all ages!
Preserve it, for in ev'ry place The world against it rages.
Grant that this sacrament may be A blessed comfort unto me
When living and when dying.

LSB717 Eternal Father, Strong to Save

William Whiting

1. 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, whose voice the waters heard And hushed their raging at Thy word,
Who walkedst on the foaming deep And calm amid its rage didst sleep:
O hear us when we cry to Thee For those in peril on the sea.
- *3. Most Holy Spirit, who didst brood Upon the chaos dark and rude,
And bid its angry tumult cease, And give, for wild confusion, peace:
O hear us when we cry to Thee For those in peril on the sea.

4. O Trinity of love and pow'r, Our people shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe, Protect them wheresoe'er they go;
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee Glad praise from air and land and sea.

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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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

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), John Kuker (4th),
Abbey Zelt (3rd), John Fink (2nd), Hannah Maresh (1st),
Cathie Wakeland (K-A), Rachel Wiegman (K-B), Natalie Reynolds (Art & Music),
Lizzy Hoham (Progress Partners Coach), Marcus Rush (K-5 PE)

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 fieldworker Matthew Harrison, 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
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Mary Lou Graham, Carl Albersmeyer, Joyce Gottschalk, Sarah Hollman, Estella Ramirez, Connie Houser, Kevin Leininger, Bill Weinrich, Janice Grim, Debra Busche, John Starks, Dwight Bieberich, Willodean Bates, Dick Hollman, Jerry & Elaine Seifert, Jane Porter Gresham, Bob Ockree, Joe Harrison, Louisa Porter, Marlow Hogan, Marissia White, Gary Phillips, Dwight Johnson, Ron Rastl, and Robert & Jenny Hobby.
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages, especially TruLaine & John Starks
- + 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
- + 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 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of the 22nd wedding anniversary of TruLaine & John Starks. 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 28, 2024 thru August 3, 2024

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Congregational Assembly	Bauer Hall
MON.	3:45 PM	Jr. Catechesis	Conference Room
TUES.			
WED.	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Chapel
THURS.	7:00 PM	Elders Council Meeting	Conference Room
FRI.			
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church
	1:00 PM	Adult Catechesis	Conference Room

August 4, 2024

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
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ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: No Adult Bible Class today. Today is our Congregational Assembly with a “Power Up” presentation, reports, elections, budget, and action on the renovation. Please plan to attend. Dr. Voelz will pick things back up in the Gospel according to St. Mark in the fall after our church renovations. Sunday School is on summer break, too.

FYI: The City of Fort Wayne will hold their Open Streets event on August 18th, meaning Calhoun St will be closed from Pontiac to Superior from 8AM until 4PM. Keep that fact in mind traveling to church that Sunday.

ATTENTION LADIES OF ZION Some of us are interested in getting involved again with the Lutheran Women’s in Missionary League (LWML). If you are interested, please see DaVanna Seifert, Melvia Culpher, or Yvonne Kirtz.

VOLUNTEERS: Do you like to work in the yard? If so, Zion needs you! The trustees need help to maintain Zion’s flowerbeds and shrubs. If you can help, contact Kevin Leininger at 615-9896.

HELP: Bethlehem need help sorting for the Rummage sale – every Tuesday and Thursday 9am-12pm. Come when you can; leave when you must. Also, we need volunteers from Zion to help with this extra-large rummage sale on September 26-28. If not sure if we are meeting, call the church office: 744-3229

LSUS is less than two weeks away from the first day of school on August 7th. We still have much to do before the students return! We need to assemble about 10 tables, 24 desks, and 20 chairs, and we need help. We are asking for able-bodied volunteers! If you are willing to help (even if you assemble only 1 desk, it will be a help!). Times the school is open for work: Thurs, 7/24–9am-4:30pm; Mon, 7/29–9am-4:30pm; Tues, 7/30–9am-4:30pm; Wed, 7/31–9am-4:30pm; Thurs, 8/1–9am-4:30pm; Fri, 8/2–9am-4:30pm. Come if you can; leave when you must.

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MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE: John 14:6—“Jesus said to [Thomas], ‘I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.’” Last week’s verse was Psalm 96:2.

TO CREATE THE APPROPRIATE ESTATE PLAN requires the use of your personal attorney. However, for some, that prospect creates anxiety. Your attorney is not your adversary but your advocate. They want to assist you. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can get you ready for your work together, taking plenty of time, bathing the conversations with prayer, helping you to learn how to express your desires. For assistance, contact Mark Muehl at 260-241-4845 or mark.muehl@lfnf.org.

EMMAUS LUTHERAN CHURCH AND PRESCHOOL is looking for a Full-Time (36 hrs/week) Administrative Assistant to support the Pastor and Preschool Director in various office functions. In addition, this person will be working with the Preschool Director. Proficiency with Microsoft Office (Word, Publisher, Excel) is a plus. Please submit a resume with relevant job experience to revolsen@emmausfortwayne.org or call the church office at 260-459-7722 for a full job description and salary details.

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For the family of God's Priestly People at Zion

God calls His own people a "Royal Priesthood." God makes us kings and queens, princes and princesses who are bound together by the Holy Spirit in Baptism for the Christian benefit of each other. Priests **PRAY** -- They talk to God about their neighbor! Priests **TEACH** -- They talk to their neighbor about God! Priests **OFFER SACRIFICES** -- They offer to God the sacrifice of broken and contrite hearts; they offer their bodies and work as holy services to God for their neighbors. Join in this priestly work of prayer with your fellow members.

Morning Prayer

DAILY LECTIONARY

Evening Prayer

Mark 6:45-56

**The Tenth Sunday
after Pentecost**

Genesis 9:8-17

Acts 24:1-23

Monday

1 Samuel 14:47-15:9

Acts 24:24-25:12

Tuesday

1 Samuel 15:10-35

Acts 25:13-27

Wednesday

1 Samuel 16:1-23

Acts 26:1-23

Thursday

1 Samuel 17:1-19

Acts 26:24-27:8

Friday

1 Samuel 17:20-47

Acts 27:9-26

Saturday

1 Samuel 17:48-18:9

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 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Exodus 16:2-15

Ephesians 4:1-16

John 6:22-35



What Doctor Luther Says:

About the Rainbow, a Sign to Fear and Trust God

This sign [of the bow in the sky] should remind us to give thanks to God.

For as often as the rainbow appears, it preaches to the entire world with a loud voice about the wrath which once moved God to destroy the whole world.

It also gives comfort, that we may have the conviction that God is kindly inclined toward us again and will never again make use of so horrible a punishment. Thus it teaches the fear of God and faith at the same time, the greatest virtues. Philosophy has no knowledge of these and carries on a discussion solely about the material and the formal cause; it does not know the final cause of this beautiful creature. But theology points it out. ...

Let us, therefore, be reminded by this sign to fear God and to trust Him, in order that, just as we have escaped the punishment of the Flood, we may also be able to escape the punishment by fire. This knowledge is more profitable than those philosophical discussions about the material cause.

Luther's Works, 2:148-9.



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“POWER UP” CAMPAIGNS

**Come Join us on
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Dear Congregation Members, Attendees, & Friends,

You may have read recently in the *Fort Wayne Lutheran* about the tremendous early success of our school's "**Power UP**" Campaign. Of the \$1,500,000 goal, we have already received approximately **\$775,000**, including gifts from The Lutheran Foundation, the Tippmann Foundation, and few lead individual gifts.

Now is the time to finish our goals! Please make a special effort to attend our annual meeting on **Sunday, July 28 after worship at 10:45 a.m.** as we will be sharing how you can be a part of the effort to improve the school with needed HVAC and lighting upgrades, including bringing air conditioning for the first time to Lutheran South Unity School. **Help the school continue to grow and teach the saving grace of Jesus Christ to over 200 students next year.**

We hope to see you on July 28!

Pastor Punke
Your Congregational Board
Mark & Dana Muehl, Campaign Co-Chairs



PRAY FOR Vicar Paul and Courtney Mroczenski

Vicar
Serving the Lord in Puerto Rico



Vicar Paul Mroczenski serves the Lord in Puerto Rico, where he is spending his vicarage before returning to Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Ind., to complete his fourth year of seminary. In this role, Paul serves under the supervision of the Rev. James Neuendorf, missionary to Puerto Rico. Paul's primary responsibility is to teach and preach at various churches and sites in both Spanish and English. Paul also assists with church planting and other evangelism and mercy work efforts.

Paul was born in Athens, Wis. After graduating from high school, Paul served as a volunteer for ten months in Baton Rouge, La., through the Lutheran Young

Adult Corps program (LYAC). He then earned his Bachelor of Arts in theological languages, with minors in philosophy and youth ministry, from Concordia University Wisconsin, Mequon, Wis. Paul enjoys fishing, ping pong, playing board games, and watching Wisconsin Badger basketball and football.

Courtney was born in Torrance, Calif., and calls Aurora, Co. home. After high school, she also served as a LYAC volunteer in New Orleans. She attended Colorado State University and studied social work. After college, she worked as a case manager at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne, and as a memory care support specialist at Bethlehem Woods Nursing Facility in Fort Wayne. Courtney enjoys gardening and caring for house plants, reading, hiking and playing board games.

Please pray for the Mroczenski family as they serve in Puerto Rico. Pray that they may learn Spanish quickly and thoroughly. The Mroczenskis also have their first child on the way (due October 2024), so pray for a safe delivery and a healthy baby, as well as for peace and provision in the midst of moving to a new country with a new child. Pray that the Lord will bless Paul as he teaches and preaches God's Word, that all may come to saving faith in Jesus Christ.

BIRTHDAYS: Paul — Sept. 22, Courtney — May 7

ANNIVERSARY: Jan. 1

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