

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00 am Sunday, September 8, 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 of the Day



[Antiphon] *The LORD is the strength | of his •people•; || he is the saving re- | fuge of his a- | •nointed•. || Oh, save your people and bless your | her- it- age! || Be their shep- herd and | car- ry them for- | •ever•.*

Verse 1: **To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not | deaf to me, || lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who | go down to the | pit. || Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to | you for help, || when I lift up my hands toward your most | ho- ly sanc- tu- | •ary•.**

Verse 2: *Blessed | be the LORD! || For he has heard the voice | of my pleas for | •mercy•. || The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and | I am helped; || my heart exults, and with my song | I give thanks to | him.*

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



Glo-ry be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will •toward• men.



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 - might - y.



O Lord, the on-ly be - got-ten Son, Je-sus Christ, O Lord God,



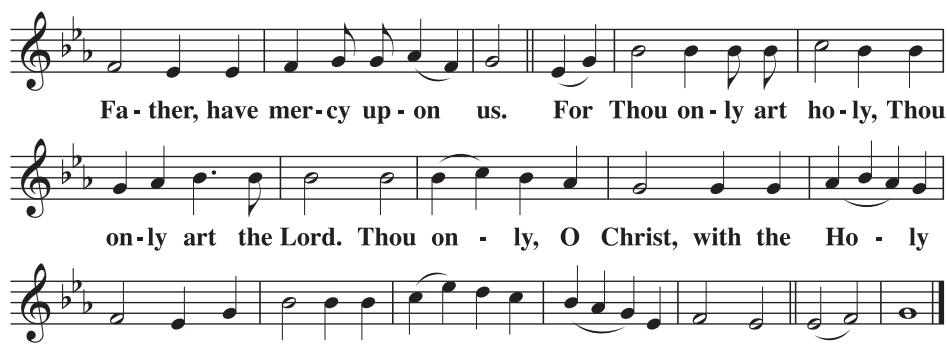
Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on _ us: Thou that tak-est a-way the sin of the



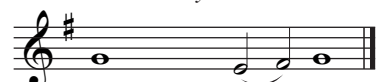
world; re - ceive our prayer Thou that sit-test at the right hand of God the



Fa - ther, have mer - cy up - on us. For Thou on - ly art ho - ly, Thou
on - ly art the Lord. Thou on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly
Ghost, art most high in the glo - ry of God _ the Fa - ther. A - men.

Salutation

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir— it.

Collect for the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost: *O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; 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..... Isaiah 35:4-7a

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

Epistle of the Day James 2:1-10, 14-18

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

[Rise]

Alleluia Sequence

[Deacon] *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! "The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel. He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds." Alleluia!*




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


Holy Gospel St. Mark 7:24-37

[The Gospel is announced.]

[The Gospel is proclaimed.]



Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord!



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..... Praise the Almighty Burgundy Hymn 797**
[Rise for stanza 5.]


[Be Seated] **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] **OffertoryCreate 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.

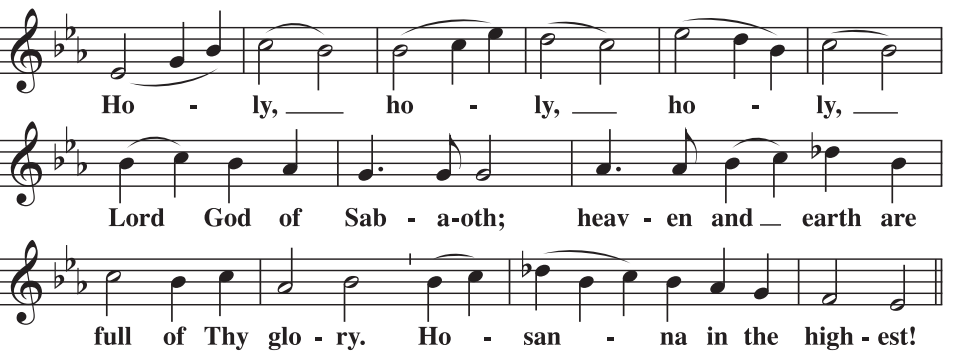
Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



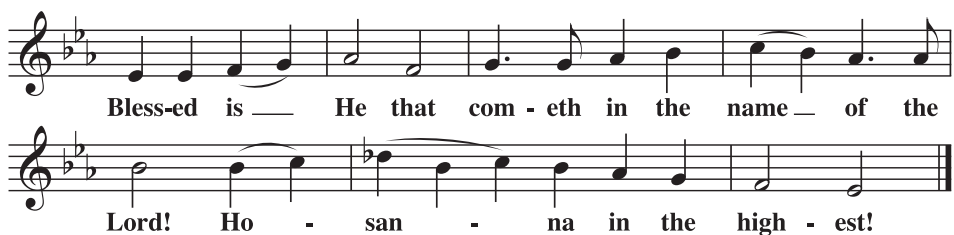
It is meet _ and right so _ to do. _

Common Preface, Sanctus

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

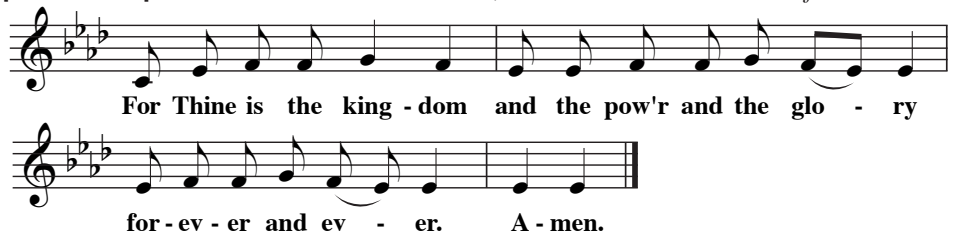


Ho - ly, _ ho - ly, _ ho - ly, _
Lord God of Sab - a-oth; heav - en and _ earth are
full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!



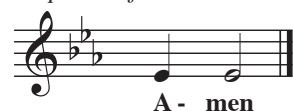
[Kneel] **Lord's Prayer**

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

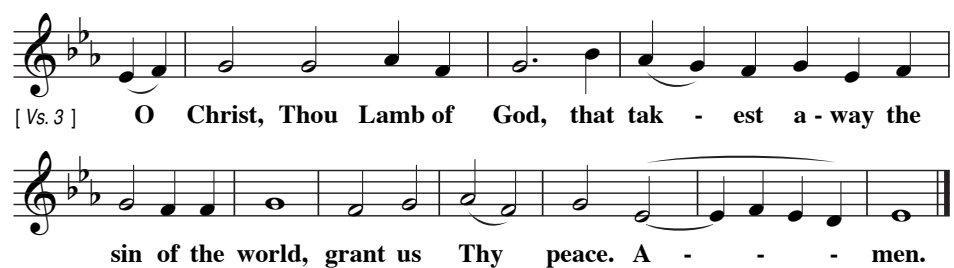
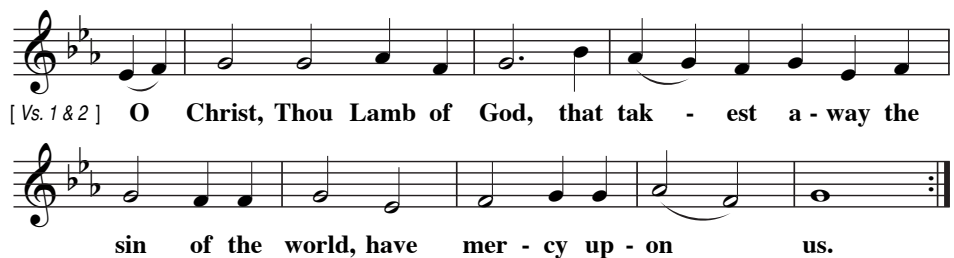


Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



Agnus Dei



[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns Hope of the World Burgundy Hymn 690
Jesus Comes Today Burgundy Hymn 620

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

[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.



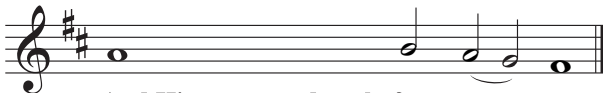
4. Glo— ry__ be to the
Father, and to__ the __ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



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.



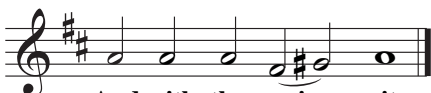
And His mercy endureth for — ev — er.

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 O God of Mercy Burgundy Hymn 852

Postlude

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Readings for the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Old Testament Reading is Isaiah 35:4-7a

Say to those who have an anxious heart,
 “Be strong; fear not!
Behold, your God
 will come with vengeance,
with the recompense of God.
 He will come and save you.”
Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
 and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
then shall the lame man leap like a deer,
 and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.
For waters break forth in the wilderness,
 and streams in the desert;
the burning sand shall become a pool,
 and the thirsty ground springs of water.

The Epistle is James 2:1-10, 14-18

My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, “You sit here in a good place,” while you say to the poor man, “You stand over there,” or, “Sit down at my feet,” have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called?

If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well. But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. ...

What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, and one of you says to them, “Go in

peace, be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

But someone will say, “You have faith and I have works.” Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

The Gospel is Mark 7:24-37

From there [Jesus] arose and went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And he entered a house and did not want anyone to know, yet he could not be hidden. But immediately a woman whose little daughter was possessed by an unclean spirit heard of him and came and fell down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, a Syrophenician by birth. And she begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. And he said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not right to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.” But she answered him, “Yes, Lord; yet even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” And he said to her, “For this statement you may go your way; the demon has left your daughter.” And she went home and found the child lying in bed and the demon gone.

[Jesus] returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, “He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”

Hymns for the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

LSB797 Praise the Almighty, My Soul

Johann Daniel Herrnschmidt

1. Praise the Almighty, my soul, adore Him!
Yes, I will laud Him until death;
With songs and anthems I come before Him
As long as He allows me breath.
From Him my life and all things came;
Bless, O my soul, His holy name. Alleluia, alleluia!
2. Trust not in rulers; they are but mortal;
Earth-born they are and soon decay.
Vain are their counsels at life's last portal,
When the dark grave engulfs its prey.
Since mortals can no help afford,
Place all your trust in Christ, our Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
3. Blessed, oh, blessed are they forever
Whose help is from the Lord Most High,
Whom from salvation can nothing sever,
And who in hope to Christ draw nigh.
To all who trust in Him, our Lord
Will aid and counsel now afford. Alleluia, alleluia!
4. Penitent sinners, for mercy crying,
Pardon and peace from Him obtain;
Ever the wants of the poor supplying,
Their faithful God He will remain.
He helps His children in distress,
The widows and the fatherless. Alleluia, alleluia!
- △ 5. Praise, all you people, the name so holy
Of Him who does such wondrous things!
All that has being, to praise Him solely,
With happy heart its amen sings.
Children of God, with angel host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Alleluia, alleluia!

LSB690 Hope of the World

Georgia Harkness

1. Hope of the world, Thou Christ of great compassion;
Speak to our fearful hearts by conflict rent.
Save us, Thy people, from consuming passion,
Who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.
2. Hope of the world, God's gift from highest heaven,
Bringing to hungry souls the bread of life.
Still let thy Spirit unto us be given
To heal earth's wounds and end our bitter strife.
3. Hope of the world, afoot on dusty highways,
Showing to wand'ring souls the path of light,
Walk Thou beside us lest the tempting byways
Lure us away from Thee to endless night.
4. Hope of the world, who by Thy cross didst save us
From death and dark despair, from sin and guilt,
We render back the love Thy mercy gave us;
Take Thou our lives and use them as Thou wilt.
5. Hope of the world, O Christ, o'er death victorious,
Who by this sign did conquer grief and pain,
We would be faithful to Thy Gospel glorious.
Thou art our Lord! Thou dost forever reign!

LSB620 Jesus Comes Today with Healing

Heinrich Puchta

1. Jesus comes today with healing,
Knocking at my door, appealing,
Off'ring pardon, grace and peace.
He Himself makes preparation,
And I hear His invitation:
"Come and taste the blessed feast."
2. Christ Himself, the priest presiding,
Yet in bread and wine abiding
In this holy sacrament,
Gives the bread of life, once broken,
And the cup, the precious token
Of His sacred covenant.

W 3. Under bread and wine, though lowly,
I receive the Savior holy,
Blood and body, giv'n for me,
Very Lamb of God from heaven,
Who to bitter death was given,
Hung upon the cursed tree.

M 4. God descends with heav'nly power,
Gives Himself to me this hour___
In this ordinary sign.
On my tongue His pledge receiving,
I accept His grace, believing
That I taste His love divine.

5. Let me praise God's boundless favor,
Whose own feast of love I savor,
Bidden by His gracious call.
Wedding garments He provides me,
With a robe of white He hides me,
Fits me for the royal hall.

6. Now have I found consolation,
Comfort in my tribulation,
Balm to heal the troubled soul.
God, my shield from ev'ry terror,
Cleanses me from sin and error,
Makes my wounded spirit whole.

LSB852 O God of Mercy, God of Might

Godfrey Thring

1. O God of mercy, God of might,
In love and pity infinite,
Teach us, as ever in Thy sight,
To live our lives in Thee.
2. And Thou, who cam'st on earth to die
That our lost world might live thereby,
O hear us; for to Thee we cry,
In hope, O Lord, to Thee.
3. Teach us the lesson Thou hast taught:
To feel for those Thy blood hath bought,
That ev'ry word and deed and thought
May work a work for Thee.

4. All are redeemed, both far and wide,
Since Thou, O Lord, for all hast died.
Grant us the will and grace provide
To love them all in Thee!
5. In sickness, sorrow, want, or care,
May we each other's burdens share;
May we, where help is needed, there
Give help as unto Thee!
6. And may Thy Holy Spirit move
All those who live to live in love
Till Thou shalt greet in heav'n above
All those who live in Thee.

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost



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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

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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 fieldworker Matthew Harrison, and for Paul Mroczewski 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 Carl Albersmeyer, Everett Beck, Richard Lammert, Darryl Kirtz, Estella Ramirez, Connie Houser, TruLaine Starks, 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, Elizabeth Lindsay, Gary Phillips, Dwight Johnson, Ron Rastl, and Robert & Jenny Hobby.
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages
- + For the gift of life and for length of days
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed, including Jill Stokes and David & Savannah Stokes
- + 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 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl is given by Clarence Stokes in loving memory of his wife Jill Stokes and his parents David & Savannah Stokes. 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

September 8, 2024 thru September 14, 2024

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
	10:30 AM	LWML Quick Meeting	Conference Room
MON.	3:45 PM	Jr. Catechesis	Conference Room
	5:00 PM	LSA Board	LSUS
TUES.	9:30 AM	FW South Circuit Winkel	Emmaus Lutheran
	2:40 PM	Lutheranism 101 (for faculty & staff)	LSUS
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion	Conference Room
	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Chapel
THURS.	7:00 PM	Council of Elders	Conference Room
FRI.	12 NOON	Packing Diapers	Bauer Hall
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church
	12 NOON	Diaper Give a way	Parking Lot

September 15, 2024

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Education Hour	

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

LWML: There will be a short meeting after Divine Service today in the conference room. If you have a full Mite box, don't forget to exchange it for an empty one. A basket is on the round table in the Great Hall.

LSUS POWER UP: Don't forget ... don't neglect to do your part in our school's capital campaign — Power Up. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge and contributing to the campaign that addresses vital needs for our students and teachers. If you don't have a pledge card, you can pick one up at Julie's Scrip table. Please respond by October.

LSUS: School is in full swing again, and so we're thinking about clubs! Clubs will run for 6 weeks from September 30-November 15. There will NOT be clubs the week of October 21-25. Please email Danielle Ramsey at dramsey@lsusfw.org, if you are interested (Danielle will send you a link to a Google form) or if you have any questions. Tuesday clubs are from 2:30-3:15. MWThF clubs are from 3:30-4:15.

DIAPER DRIVE: TruLaine & Melvia need help on September 13th at noon, bagging the diapers for the September 14th giveaway. If you can help, please let them know.

RLNI: The 27th Annual Fall Banquet is being held October 14 at Allen County Memorial Coliseum. Doors open at 5:30 PM Dinner at 6:30 PM. Tickets are \$50.00/person and \$400.00 for a table of eight. Can we fill a Zion table? Maybe two? Let Melvia know (office@zionfw.org). Jim Caviezel (Jesus in Mel Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ*) is the keynote speaker. Parking at the Coliseum included for all guests. Visit www.ichooselife.org/resources/events/upcoming-events for more information.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE Fall Campaign is Sep. 25th – Nov. 3rd. Thanks again to Laikyn and Rachel Muehl for leading our participation. They have chosen Monday, October 14 (same night as the RLNI banquet) for our day to pray. There will be more information available soon.

THE COOKBOOKS are at Julie's table in the Great Hall. For \$17, you can take yours home today. This mouth-watering cookbook has 300 recipes from past and present members.

CAN YOU HELP? Sorting for the Rummage sale is every Tues. and Thurs. 9am-12pm. Come and go as needed. Also, we need volunteers from Zion to help with the sale itself on Sep. 23-28. Melvia has a sign up sheet. See her or call the church office: 744-1389. You can drop off items Mon-Fri 9-3 at door #7. The last day for drop offs is Sep 19th.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE: Romans 1:16—"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek." Last week's verse was Psalm 73:25-26

CTSFW will open its 179th academic year with a special service today at 3 p.m., in Kramer Chapel. The service, which will be livestreamed, will include the installation of the Rev. Dr. Jon S. Bruss as CTSFW's seventeenth president.

THE GIFT PLANNING process of an estate plan requires multi-channel communication. Ideally, if you have children, you will share with them your plans, both for use of inheritance as well as your heart for creating a ministry gift. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can give you the material to facilitate these conversations, or sometimes, even facilitate the conversation. To find out how important this step is, contact Mark Muehl at 260-241-4845 or mark.muehl@lfnd.org.

WORSHIP ANEW needs some camera operators for its pastor and choir productions. If you are interested, please contact us at info@worshipanew.org or (888) 286-8002.

EMMAUS LUTHERAN needs help: a full-time Church and Preschool Administrative Assistant Position, and part-time afternoon assistant for the Preschool. For information please call 260-459-7722 or email jolsen@emmauslutheranfw.org. They also need part-time kitchen help for the 2024-2025 school year; contact Candy at 260-348-9655 for info.

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

Mark 7:24-37

Philippians 1:21-2:11

Philippians 2:12-30

Philippians 3:1-21

Philippians 4:1-23

Colossians 1:1-23

Colossians 1:24-2:7

DAILY LECTIONARY

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Evening Prayer

Isaiah 35:4-7a

2 Kings 6:1-23

2 Kings 9:1-13; 10:18-29

2 Chronicles 29:1-24

2 Chronicles 31:1-21

2 Chronicles 32:1-22

2 Chronicles 33:1-25

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 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 50:4-10

James 3:1-12

Mark 9:14-29



What Doctor Luther Says:

About Isaiah's Prophecy, Literally and Allegorically

5. *Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened.* In that time when the church will flourish in the midst of drought and will be cultivated in the desert, the blind will see plainly, etc. This is taken literally with reference to the miracles of Christ and the church, as we read in the last chapter of Mark (Mark 16:17, 18), signs that were necessary to confirm the new Word, signs that were added to the glory of the church, signs that are not done physically in the last time of the church, now that Christ is no longer weak. They were necessary then as a witness to the Jews, who ought to have recognized the church of God. Allegorically, in the time of the Gospel there were opened (1) *the eyes of the blind*, or ignorant, as we see happening today; (2) *the ears of the deaf*, who now accept the Gospel; (3) *the lame* walking in their own superstitions, as Isaiah calls all idolators lame, people who walk around in some sect of their own. They limp on one leg. They do not walk in an upright faith. Then, however, when they accept the Word by faith, they walk upright and leap for spiritual joy in Christ.

(4) *And the tongue of the dumb sing for joy*, namely, it will glory in a strong confession, and the mercy of the Lord shown to us is proclaimed and boasted; and they will say: "See how God has rescued us from the darkness!"

Luther's Works, 16:302.



**Beginning September 15,
CHOIR REHEARSALS
RESUME ON:**

**SUNDAYS
AT 8:05 am**

**In the church balcony.
All are welcome.**

LSUS NOTES

Praying for You!



Please pray for these students/staff:

D'Aaron	De'Lyn
Ezra	Wayde
Noelle	Jaylyn
Tra'von	Kayara
Skylar	Mrs. Antoine
DaMonica	

SCFVA Plant Show

This year we had 23 students enter their plants into the SCFVA (School Children's Flower & Vegetable Association) Plant Show! Students in grades Kindergarten through 4th grade receive a small plant in May. They are encouraged to take care of their plant throughout the summer and bring them back in August. They are then judged by representatives from the Fort Wayne Parks & Rec department. "Blue Ribbon Winners" are eligible to participate in the City-Wide Blue Ribbon Show on Saturday, Sept. 14th.

Congratulations to all our "green thumbs"! Keep up the good work!





Encouragement Found in Scriptures & our theme:

Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ. —Colossians 3:23-24



Concordia Lutheran High School has completed the schematic design phase for a comprehensive renovation of our campus which may be occurring as early as 2025. Our high school is moving forward to the next planning phase of a fully renovated academic wing and auditorium. We invite you to attend one of three special town hall meetings to learn more about our plans and answer your questions.

Three options are available to accommodate various schedules:

Tuesday, September 10, 7:00 PM - CLHS Auditorium

Wednesday, September 11, 7:00 PM EST - Virtual meeting via Zoom

Sunday, September 15, 4:00 PM - CLHS Auditorium

Scan the attached QR Code to register for one of the town hall meetings.





HYGIENE KITS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 bath towel | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 sturdy comb |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 wash cloth | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 band-aids
($\frac{1}{2}$ " or $\frac{3}{4}$ ") |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 bath-size bar of soap | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 small package facial tissues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 plastic soap box holder | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 nail clipper |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 toothbrush | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 piece of strong ribbon or cord |

ASSEMBLY

1. Lay out the towel on a flat surface.
2. Fold over about 5" on each long side.
3. Place the rest of the items in the center under the folds.
4. Roll up the towel.
5. Use ribbon or cord to tie the towel together in the middle.

PLEASE NOTE

- Dark colored linens are recommended.
- We recommend leaving contents in the original packaging, but it is not required.
- No additions, deletions, or substitutions.
- Do not add money, photos, or personal notes.
- Do not include items with religious, camouflage, patriotic or military symbols.
- Pack only new or gently used items.
- Do not include plastic bags.
- It costs an average of \$11 to ship each box of kits. Please consider a donation to your local OGT branch to help with shipping.

Although well-meaning variations are tempting, please do not do this. It may result in heavy fines and/or the entire shipment being confiscated by customs officials.



Thank you for making a difference in these children's lives. Your love of your Savior, Jesus Christ, is sent with each kit packaged. May God continue to bless your life as you serve Him.

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNUAL DIAPER GIVE-A-WAY



**Saturday, September 14, 2024
12 NOON until 3PM
2313 S. Hanna St.
Fort Wayne, IN 46803**

**All are welcome to pick up diapers, wet wipes and
other give-a-ways.**

**It's a first come first serve basis
while supplies last. Newborn to size 7
diapers along with pull-ups.**

**For more information please call the church at
260-744-1389**



You're Invited



**STAINED GLASS
WINDOW DEDICATION
2 PM SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**

Worship Anew, 5 Martin Luther Drive,
Fort Wayne, Ind. 46825

All are welcome as we dedicate the windows
from Trinity Lutheran Church.

Program will begin at 2 PM.

SAVE THE DATE

Multi-church

Rummage Sale

September 26-28, 2024

Bethlehem Lutheran
3705 S. Anthony Blvd



Sale proceeds
go to Lutheran
South Unity
School

Facebook
Event for
updates



Thurs 9/26

9am-7pm

Fri 9/27

9am-4pm

Sat 9/28

9am-12pm



Bethlehem Office:
260-744-3228

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