# Historic Zion Lutheran Church

#### 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.

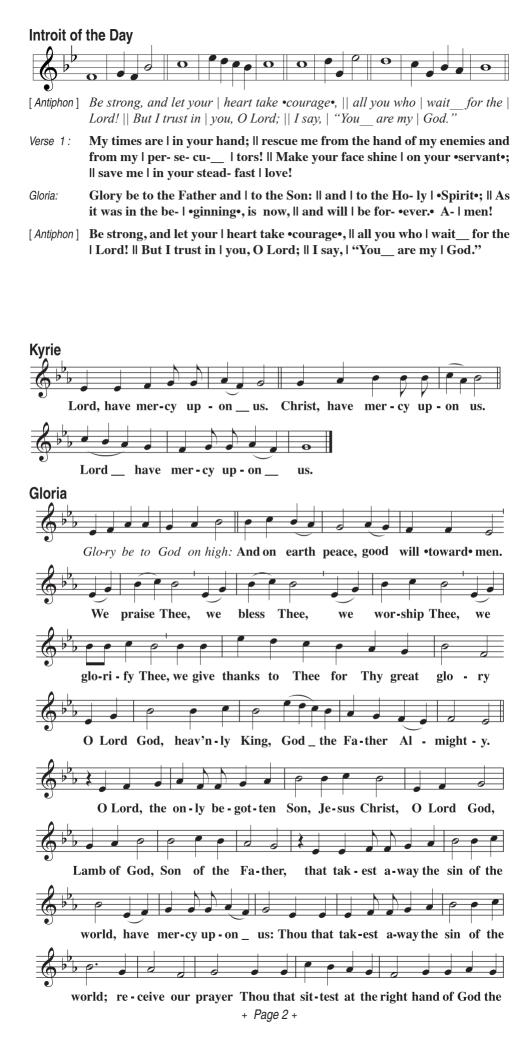
Guests at our services, before receiving the sacrament, are requested to affirm these facts with one of our pastors. Thank you for honoring our practice. If you are looking for a church home, would like to be a member of Zion, or would like to learn more about the Christian Faith, please speak to one of our pastors about our membership classes.

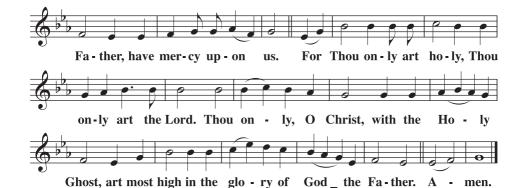
★ = appropriate to make the baptismal sign of the cross

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
The Office of Confession of Sins and Absolution
Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
[ Kneel ]
Our help is in the name of the Lord
O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + 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.





#### Salutation

The Lord be with you.



**Collect for the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost:** Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



[ Be Seated ]

+ The Office of the Word of God +

#### Alleluia Sequence

[ Deacon ] Alleluia! Alleluia! "All things are possible for one who believes." Alleluia!



Holy Gospel ...... St. Mark 9:14-29



#### **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!

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Hymn of the Day ...... Praise the One...... Burgundy Hymn 849 Sermon

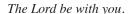
#### [ Rise ] Prayer of the Church

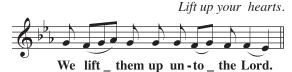
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#### + The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

#### **Preface**





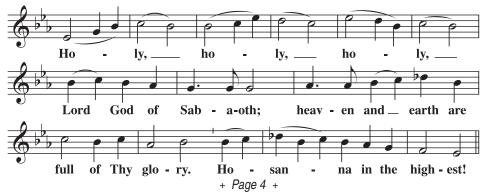
Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

And with thy spir-it.



#### **Common Preface, Sanctus**

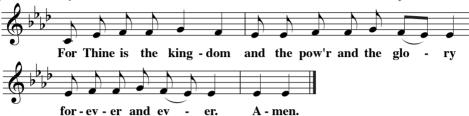
It is truly meet, right and salutary . . . . . . ever more praising You and saying:





#### [Kneel] Lord's Prayer

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

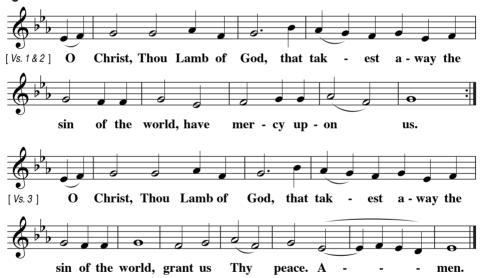


#### Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



#### **Agnus Dei**

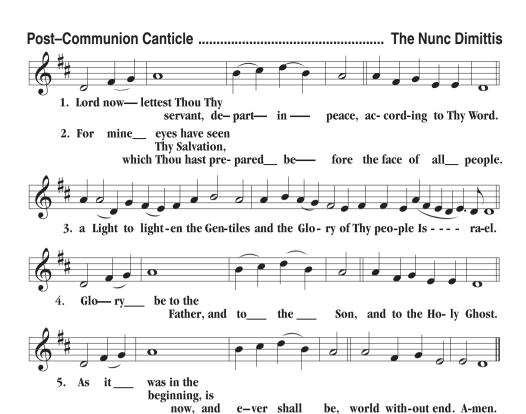


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Distribution Hymns ...... Oh! For a Thousand....... Burgundy Hymn 528
Oh, How Great ...... Burgundy Hymn 559

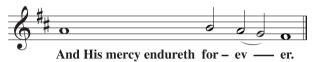
#### [ Rise ]

#### **Eucharistic Benediction**



#### **Post Communion Rite**

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



**Prayer of Thanksgiving** ... now and forever.



The Lord be with you.



Bless we the Lord.

And with thy spir — rit.

#### 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  $\Phi$  give you peace.



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

Recessional Hymn ...... Jesus Has Come ...... Burgundy Hymn 533

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#### Readings for the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

#### The Old Testament Reading is Isaiah 50:4-10

The Lord GOD has given me

the tongue of those who are taught,

that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary.

Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear

to hear as those who are taught.

The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious;

I turned not backward.

I gave my back to those who strike,

and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard;

I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting.

But the Lord GOD helps me;

therefore I have not been disgraced;

therefore I have set my face like a flint,

and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

He who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together.

Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me.

Behold, the Lord GOD helps me;

who will declare me guilty?

Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment;

the moth will eat them up.

Who among you fears the LORD

and obeys the voice of his servant?

Let him who walks in darkness and has no light trust in the name of the LORD and rely on his God.

#### The Epistle is James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

#### The Gospel is Mark 9:14-29

When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to him and greeted him. And he asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?" And someone from the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible for one who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

#### Hymns for the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

**LSB849 Praise the One who Breaks the Darkness** Rusty Edwards Text © 1987 Hope Publishing Co. Used by permission. LSBHymnLicense.net #100012381.

- 1. Praise the One who breaks the darkness With a liberating light; Praise the One who frees the pris'ners, Turning blindness into sight. Praise the One who preached the Gospel, Healing ev'ry dread disease, Calming storms, and feeding thousands With the very Bread of peace.
- 2. Praise the One who blessed the children With a strong yet gentle word; Praise the One who drove out demons With a piercing, two-edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool water To the desert's burning sand; From this Well comes living water, Quenching thirst in ev'ry land.
- 3. Let us praise the Word Incarnate, Christ, who suffered in our place. Jesus died and rose victorious That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and gladness, Seeing what our God has done; Let us praise the true Redeemer, Praise the One who makes us one.

#### LSB528 Oh! For a Thousand Tongues to Sing Charles Wesley

- 1. Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of His grace!
- 2. My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim, To spread through all the earth abroad, The honors of Thy name.
- 3. Jesus! The name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease; 'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.
- 4. He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin; He sets the pris'ner free. His blood can make the foulest clean: His blood avails for me.
- 5. Look unto Him, ye nations; own Your God, ye fallen race. Look and be saved through faith alone, Be justified by grace.
- 6. See all your sins on Jesus laid; The Lamb of God was slain. His soul was once an off'ring made For ev'ry soul of man.
- 7. To God all glory, praise, and love Be now and ever giv'n By saints below and saints above, The Church in earth and heav'n.

- 1. Oh, how great is Your compassion, Faithful Father, God of grace, That with all our fallen race In our depth of degradation You had mercy so that we Might be saved eternally!
- 2. Your great love for this hath striven That we may, from sin made free, Live with You eternally. Your dear Son Himself has given And extends His gracious call, To His Supper leads us all.
- 3. Firmly to our souls' salvation Witnesses Your Spirit, Lord, In Your Sacraments and Word. There He sends true consolation, Giving us the gift of faith That we fear not hell nor death.
- 4. Lord, Your mercy will not leave me; Ever will Your truth abide. Then in You I will confide. Since Your Word cannot deceive me, My salvation is to me Safe and sure eternally.
- 5. I will praise Your great compassion, Faithful Father, God of grace, That with all our fallen race In our depth of degradation You had mercy so that we Might be saved eternally.

# **LSB533 Jesus Has Come and Brings Johann Ludwig Conrad Allendorf** Text: © 1982 Concordia Publishing House; Used by permission. LSBHymnLicense.net #100012381.

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

4. Jesus has come as the King of all glory!
Heaven and earth, O declare His great pow'r,
Capturing hearts with the heavenly story;
Welcome Him now in this fast fleeting hour!
Ponder His love! Take the crown He has for you!
Jesus has come! He, the King of all glory!

## The Sebenteenth Sunday after Pentecost



# Zion Ebangelical 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; <a href="www.lsusfw.org">www.lsusfw.org</a>)
Teachers:

Yvonne Schwantz (8<sup>th</sup>, MS ELA), Michael Cullen (7<sup>th</sup>, MS Science),
Chase Mertz (6<sup>th</sup>, MS Social Studies), Danielle Ramsey (5<sup>th</sup>), Abbey Kohler (4<sup>th</sup>),
Tiffany Scheurich (3<sup>rd</sup>), John Fink (2<sup>nd</sup>), Hannah Fink (1<sup>st</sup>), 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 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

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9:00 AM

- + For the aged and the homebound
- + For those who are on hospice care
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Richard Lammert, Carl Albersmeyer, Everett Beck, 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; also for Richard England, Jr. who is missing.
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages
- + For the gift of life and for length of days, especially Annalee Kaiser
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones, especially Janice Grim and family
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed, including Ed Grim, and Lois & Richard and Sandy Kaiser
- + 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 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of the 15<sup>th</sup> birthday of Annalee Kaiser by her grandparents Dave & Janeen Kaiser. The Altar Vases are given in loving memory of Lois & Richard Kaiser and Sandy Kaiser by Robert & Shelly Kaiser, Dave & Janeen Kaiser 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

**Divine Service** 

September 15, 2024 thru September 21, 2024				
SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church	
	10:30AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall	
	4:00 PM	Town Hall Meeting	CLHS Auditorium	
MON.	10:00 AM	Fieldworker Assignment	CTSFW	
	3:45 PM	Jr. Catechesis	Conference Room	
	5:30 PM	CEA Board Meeting	CLHS	
	7:00 PM	CEA Delegate Meeting	CLHS	
TUES.				
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion	Conference Room	
	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Chapel	
THURS.	10:30 AM	Book of Concord	Conference Room	
	7:00 PM	Elders Council	Conference Room	
FRI.				
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church	
September 22, 2024				

Church

#### **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.

**LSUS 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, and please respond by October 1.

**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 <a href="mailto:dramsey@lsusfw.org">dramsey@lsusfw.org</a>, 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.

**RLNI:** The 27<sup>th</sup> 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. Jim Caviezel (Jesus in Mel Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ*) is the keynote speaker. Parking at the Coliseum included for all guests. We have filled one table and registered for it (attendees, give your ticket payments to Marge Punke). Other attendees from Zion will need to register yourselves. In order to do this, visit www.ichooselife.org/resources/events/upcoming-events.

MEMORIAL FOR THE UNBORN Last year 4,673 babies in Indiana lost their lives to abortion. On Sunday, October 6th at 2pm, Right to Life of Northeast Indiana will remember these babies at Catholic Cemetery on 3500 Lake Ave in Fort Wayne. This event gives us a chance to honor the short lives of these children and pray for their mothers and all who are or have been affected by abortion. We encourage all sidewalk counselors, 40 Days for Life participants, and anyone who has hoped and prayed for the end to abortion to come and give thanks to God with us for the miracle of life and for His grace, forgiveness and faithfulness. Visit: www.ichooselife.org/memorial for more information.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** Fall Campaign is Sep.  $25^{th}$  – Nov.  $3^{rd}$ . and our day to pray is Monday, October 14 (same night as the RLNI banquet). There will be more information available soon and also a sign-up sheet.

**RUMMAGE SALE:** 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 19<sup>th</sup>. Helpers get to shop first.

**MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE:** 2 Corinthians 12:9—"But he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.' Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me." Last week's verse was Romans 1:16.

THE GIFT PLANNING process of an estate plan requires multi-channel communication. If you are planning to make a gift to support ministry, it is a great idea to have a conversation with a ministry leader, maybe a pastor or lay leader who can help you make sure that your passion for ministry translates into practical support that will make a difference. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help set up that meeting, or even attend. To get started, 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 <a href="mailto:jolsen@emmauslutheranfw.org">jolsen@emmauslutheranfw.org</a>. 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.

<b>Morning Prayer</b>	DAILY LECTIONARY	
Mark 9:14-29	The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost	Isaiah 50:4-10
Colossians 3:1-25	Monday	2 Chronicles 35:1-7, 16-25
Colossians 4:1-18	Tuesday	2 Chronicles 36:1-23
1 Timothy 1:1-20	Wednesday	Nehemiah 1:1–2:10
1 Timothy 2:1-15	Thursday	Nehemiah 2:11-20, 4:1-6
1 Timothy 3:1-16	Friday	Nehemiah 4:7-23
1 Timothy 4:1-16	Saturday	Nehemiah 5:1-16; 6:1-9, 15-16

#### 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!

[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!

[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 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 11:18-20 James 3:13-4:10 Mark 9:30-37



# What Doctor Luther Says:

About Defending the Truth against the Devil's Lies

You see here what kind of king we have. After He has taught us and poured out His promises on us, and by His Word has transferred us into His kingdom (Col. 1:13), Satan is immediately there and crucifies us. For "all who wish to live a godly life in Christ must bear persecution" (2 Tim. 3:12); similarly, "through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God" (Acts 14:22). But our King will not forsake us. He is present and fights in us against the power of tyrants and against the lies of the devil. Indeed He renders us invincible against the lying teachers and secure against the power of tyrants.

You, therefore, brethren and fathers, who someday will administer the affairs of the churches, should be armed and trained not only to teach and instruct the good who think correctly in the faith, but also to combat and reprove the adversaries. Otherwise the churches will soon be scattered if there are not people who fight at the battle front and refute the adversaries, men who expound the passages and ideas of Scripture that the enemies have stolen, and defend the truth. Therefore he says here: "The Lord is mighty in battle, since by His patience He conquers every power and tyranny of the world and 'makes us (as we find in Jer. 1:18) fortified cities, an iron pillar, and a bronze wall,' and (Isaiah 50:7): 'faces of flint.' Thus we can bear up against all blows, against prisons, chains, and death. In short, whatever the world and the devil wish to do in their most bitter anger, we shall overcome through Him who lives in us. So first we vanquish the power of tyrants. Then if we fight the deceptions of the devil, He conquers in us, too. This is our war; no matter how dangerous and difficult it may be, it is still most joyous because the victory remains ours." Luther's Works, 12:216-7.



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:

Selicia Nathan Ramya Jaylon Raidyn Brandon Reign Camren

Kiarah Mrs. Antoine Noah Nurse Jordan

### Welcome to Pastor Soe Moe



LSUS was pleased to have a guest speaker at our chapel last Thursday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Soe Moe is the youth pastor from Southwest Lutheran Church. He just finished his schooling and was ordained this year as the first Burmese pastor in our area. He shared his story of how he grew up in a refugee camp in Thailand after his parents fled the country of Burma due to war. He spent his high school years at Camp Lutherhaven and from that experience, wanted to become a pastor. We are so glad he could visit us and look forward to seeing him more!

Courage.

#### **MudLove Bracelets for Sale:**

LSUS will be selling MudLOVE bracelets to raise funds for the PTA (Parent Teacher Association.) Bracelets are adjustable (one size fits most), waterproof, handcrafted in Indiana! They come in a variety of colors and have a variety of words or phrases.

Cost: \$10 each

See the office to purchase a bracelet during office hours

### Student Chapel Offerings



Thursday Chapel Offerings and jean dollars collected by our LSUS students and families make a big impact around the world! If every student could bring a quarter a week or whatever loose change is laying around their house it will make a big impact all over Fort Wayne and the World. September thru November offerings will go to Rev. Bryan and Deaconess Keah Payne, missionaries to Tanzania and the Honor Flight of NE Indiana.

Keah Payne served as financial administrator here at LSUS while her husband studied at Concordia Seminary. Their children also attended LSUS during

that time. Together they serve the Lord in Tanzania. Bryan is a theological educator at a new seminary in Shinyanga, Tanzania, where he teaches classes and assists in forming pastors for service in Africa. Keah serves alongside the deaconesses of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania's South-East of Lake Victoria Diocese and supports their professional development.

The Honor Flight's mission is to transport America's Veterans to Washington D.C. to visit those memorials dedicated to honor the service and sacrifices of themselves and their friends.



#### **Encouragement Found in Scriptures & our theme:**

Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.—Psalm 25:4-5



## **HYGIENE KITS**

#### **CONTENTS**

- □ 1 bath towel
- ☐ 1 wash cloth
- □ 1 bath-size bar of soap
- ☐ 1 plastic soap box holder
- ☐ 1 toothbrush

- ☐ 1 sturdy comb
- ☐ 6 band-aids (1/2" or 3/4")
- ☐ 1 small package facial tissues
- □ 1 nail clipper
- ☐ 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.
- 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.



# STAINED GLASS WINDOW DEDICATION 2 PM SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

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

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