

# Historic Zion Lutheran Church

## DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00 am ..... Sunday, October 6, 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*

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**Greeting And Announcements:** *The Lord be with you! ..... And also with you!*

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### 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] Unless the LORD | builds the house, || those who | build it •labor• in | vain. ||  
Unless the LORD watches | •over• the •city•, || the watchman | stays a- wake in  
| vain.

Verse 1: Behold, children are a heritage | from the LORD, || the fruit of the | womb\_\_  
a re- | ward. || Like arrows in the hand of a | war- ri- or || are the | child- ren  
of one's | youth.

Verse 2: Blessèd | is the man || who | fills his •quiver• with | them! || He shall not be | put  
to shame || when he speaks with his | •ene• - mies in the | gate.

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

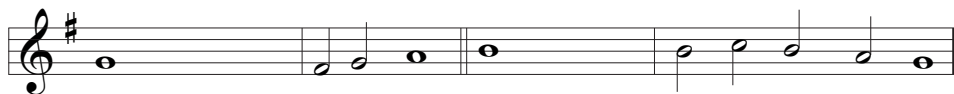


Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have



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

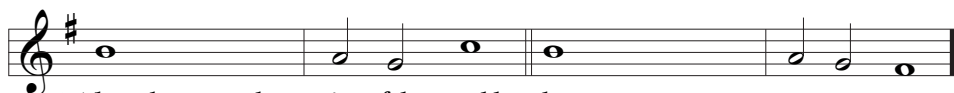
## Gloria



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•

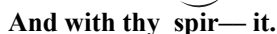


5. That takest away the . . sin •of the• world, have mercy up - - - - - on\_\_\_\_ us.
6. Thou that takest  
away the . . . . . sin •of the• world, re - - - - - ceive our •prayer•
7. Thou that sittest at  
the right hand of . . . . . God the •Father•, have mercy up - - - - - on\_\_\_\_ us.



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.

*The Lord be with you.*



A\_\_\_\_\_men!

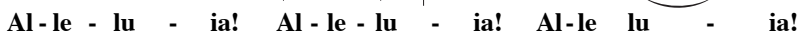
**+ The Office of the Word of God +**

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

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## Alleluia Sequence

[ Deacon ] Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! *“Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God.” Alleluia!*



[ *The Gospel is announced.* ]



[ *The Gospel is proclaimed.* ]



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

**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.**

[ *Be Seated* ]

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## 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



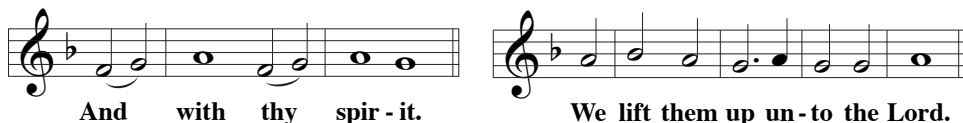
Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres- ence, and  
take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of  
Thy sal-va - tion; and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

### + 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.

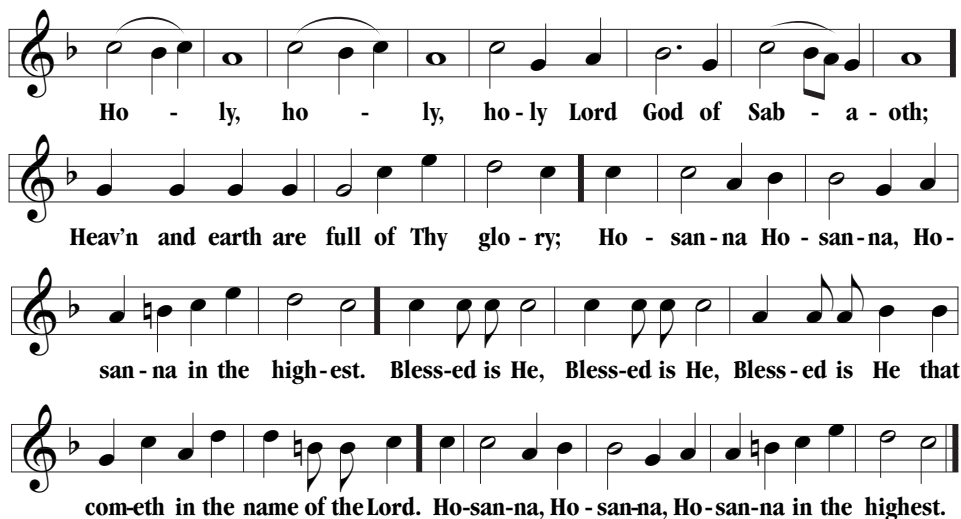
*Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.*



It is meet and right so to do.

#### Common Preface, Sanctus

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

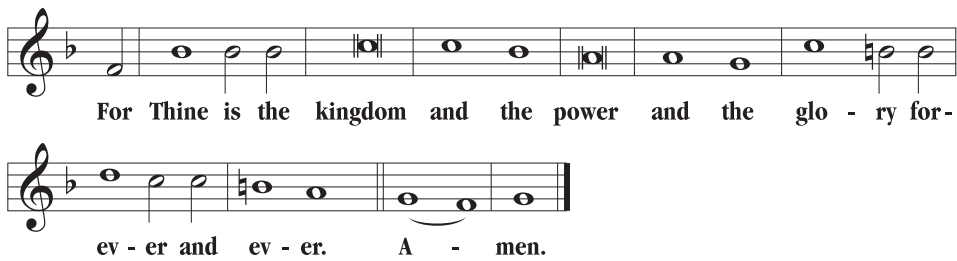


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry; Ho - san-na Ho - san-na, Ho -  
san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is He that  
com-eth in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na, Ho - san-na, Ho-san-na in the highest.



[ 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.

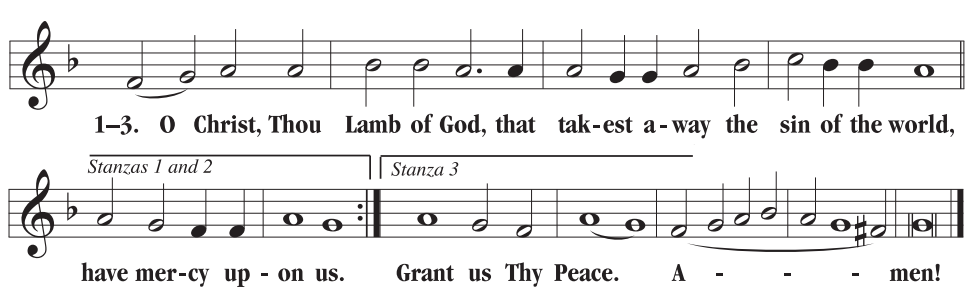
**Words of Institution, Pax Domini**

*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!

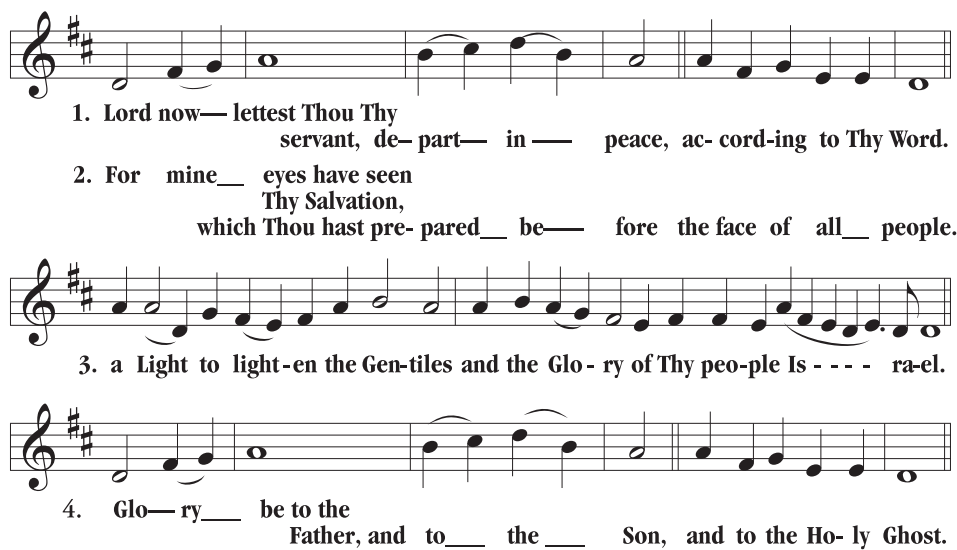
[ Be Seated ]

**Distribution Hymns .... Since Our Great High Priest .... Burgundy Hymn 529**  
**Gracious Savior ..... Burgundy Hymn 860**  
[ Rise for Stanza 5. ]

**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**



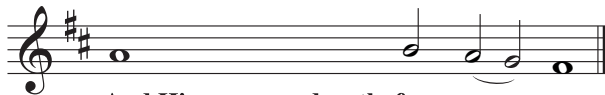
1. Lord now— lettest Thou Thy  
servant, de— part— in — peace, ac- cord-ing to Thy Word.  
2. For mine\_\_ eyes have seen  
Thy Salvation,  
which Thou hast pre- pared\_\_ be— fore the face of all\_\_ people.  
3. a Light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the Glo- ry of Thy peo-ple Is - - - ra-el.  
4. Glo— 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 ..... Love in Christ ..... Burgundy Hymn 706**

## Postlude

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## **Readings for the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

### **The Old Testament Reading is Genesis 2:18-25**

Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." Now out of the ground the LORD God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones  
and flesh of my flesh;  
she shall be called Woman,  
because she was taken out of Man."

Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

### **The Epistle is Hebrews 2:1-18**

Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable, and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. It has been testified somewhere,

"What is man, that you are mindful of him,  
or the son of man, that you care for him?  
You made him for a little while lower than the angels;  
you have crowned him with glory and honor,  
putting everything in subjection under his feet."

Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor

because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one source. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, saying,

“I will tell of your name to my brothers;  
in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise.”

And again, “I will put my trust in him.”

And again, “Behold, I and the children God has given me.”

Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

### **The Gospel is Mark 10:2-16**

Pharisees came up and in order to test [Jesus] asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away.” And Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ‘Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate.”

And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. And he said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.” And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

## Hymns for the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

### **LSB863 Our Father, by whose Name**

**F. Bland Tucker**

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1. Our Father, by whose name All fatherhood is known,  
Who dost in love proclaim Each family Thine own,  
Bless Thou all parents, guarding well, With constant love as sentinel,  
The homes in which Thy people dwell.
2. O Christ, Thyself a child Within an earthly home,  
With heart still undefiled, Thou didst to manhood come;  
Our children bless in ev'ry place That they may all behold Thy face,  
And knowing Thee may grow in grace.
3. O Spirit, who dost bind Our hearts in unity,  
Who teachest us to find The love from self set free,  
In all our hearts such love increase That ev'ry home by this release  
May be the dwelling place of peace.

### **LSB529 Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus**    **Christopher M. Idle**

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1. Since our great High Priest, Christ Jesus,  
Bears the name above all names,  
Reigning Son of God, surpassing  
Other titles, pow'rs and claims—  
Since to heav'n our Lord has passed,  
Let us hold our witness fast!
2. Since we have a priest who suffered,  
Knowing weakness, tears, and pain,  
Who like us was tried and tempted,  
Unlike us, without a stain—  
Since He shared our lowly place,  
Let us boldly seek His grace.
3. Sacrifice and suff'ring over,  
Now He sits at God's right hand,  
Crowned with praise, no more an outcast,  
His pre-eminence long-planned;  
Such a great High Priest we have,  
Strong to help, supreme to save.

4. Love's example, hope's attraction,  
Faith's beginning and its end,  
Pioneer of our salvation,  
Mighty advocate and friend;  
Jesus, high in glory raised,  
Our ascended Lord be praised!

### **LSB860 Gracious Savior, Grant Your Blessing**

**Stephen P. Starke**

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1. Gracious Savior, grant Your blessing To this husband and this wife,  
That in peace they live together In Your love throughout their life.  
Christ, defend them from the tempter And from all that would destroy  
Love's foundation You have laid here, And its threshold paved with joy.
2. Lord, if You are not the builder, Then the house is built in vain,  
For a home without Your presence Shall without true love remain.  
Yet when You within a marriage Come and dwell with grace divine,  
There You fill the empty vessels, Changing water into wine.
3. Cana's guest, this union hallow; Tenderly embrace this pair.  
Clothe this couple with the garments They will daily need to wear:  
Patience, kindness, and compassion, Gentleness, humility;  
Robe them, Lord, with love to bind them In a perfect unity.
4. Make their love a living picture Showing how You loved Your bride:  
When You gave Yourself to cleanse her, When for her You bled and died.  
Jesus, You have made her holy, Pure and fair her radiant train;  
To Yourself, Your Church presenting, Without wrinkle, spot, or stain.
- Δ 5. Father, You created Adam, Crafted Eve, and made them one;  
Jesus, from their sin You saved us, As God's true incarnate Son;  
Holy Spirit, You forgive us; From our sins we are released.  
Bring us, Lord, at last to heaven, To the endless wedding feast.

### **LSB706 Love in Christ Is Strong and Living**

**Dorothy R. Schultz**

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1. Love in Christ is strong and living, Binding faithful hearts in one;  
Love in Christ is true and giving, May His will in us be done.
2. Love is patient and forbearing, Clothed in Christ's humility,  
Gentle, selfless, kind, and caring, Reaching out in charity.

3. Love in Christ abides forever, Fainting not when ills attend;  
Love, forgiving and forgiven, Shall endure until life's end.

# The Twentieth 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

Senior Pastor:

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

Field Workers:

Matthew Harrison, Nathaniel Demlow

### The Teaching Staff at Lutheran South Unity

Principal:

Amber Bahr (744-0459; [www.lsusfw.org](http://www.lsusfw.org))

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 fieldworkers Matthew Harrison and Nate Demlow, and for Paul Mroczenski vicaring in Puerto Rico
- + For our nation; for our leaders; for our military, including James Hall; especially at this perilous time in our world
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School, Concordia Lutheran High School, and Concordia Theological Seminary
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound
- + For those who are on hospice care
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Richard Lammert, Carl Albersmeyer, 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 DaVanna Seifert
- + 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 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl is given by DaVanna Seifert's family in celebration of her 51<sup>st</sup> birthday. 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

### **October 6, 2024 thru October 12, 2024**

<b>SUN.</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Divine Service</b>	<b>Church</b>
	10:30AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
<b>MON.</b>			
<b>TUES.</b>	2:40 PM	<i>Lutheranism 101</i>	LSUS Campus
<b>WED.</b>	9:30 AM	Men of Zion	Conference Room
	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>Wednesday Divine Service</b>	<b>Chapel</b>
	6:30 PM	Adult Catechesis	Conference Room
<b>THURS.</b>	7:00 PM	Council of Elders meeting	Conference Room
<b>FRI.</b>			
<b>SAT.</b>		No Private Confession- Pastor is out of town	

### **October 13, 2024**

<b>SUN.</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Divine Service</b>	<b>Church</b>
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall

## **ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**THANK YOU** to Rev. Art Litke filling in today, preaching and celebrating the Lord's Supper, and to Mark Hollman, serving as deacon. Pastor Punke, Marge, and Keiko are in Chicago attending the wedding of Tarah Saunders (for those who don't remember, she is Creasie Hill's daughter and DaVanna's Seifert's sister). Pastor will be back some time on Monday.

**LWML:** There will be a LWML meeting on October 13, 2024, in the Conference Room, short and brief about the Ingathering event on October 19, 8:30 AM-11:30 AM. Breakfast will be served at that event. Also other dates will be discussed as well. Thanks, Melvia

**SAVE THE DATE:** Altar guild training will take place on Saturday, November 2, 2024 at 9:00 AM in Bauer Hall. Doughnuts and coffee will be served.

**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. We have filled a table and registered for it. Other attendees from Zion will need to register yourselves. In order to do this, visit [www.ichooselife.org/resources/events/upcoming-events](http://www.ichooselife.org/resources/events/upcoming-events).

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** Fall Campaign has begun. Our day to pray is Monday, October 14. There is a sign up sheet and additional info on the round table in the Great Hall. Prayer materials will be available to pick up next Sunday.

**MEMORIAL FOR THE UNBORN** is today. Last year 4,673 babies in Indiana lost their lives to abortion. Today 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.

**MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE:** Exodus 34:6—"The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD, a GOD merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast and faithfulness." Last week's verse was Hebrews 11:1.

**GOD HAS ENTRUSTED YOU** with His gifts to apply them to the care of family and support of ministry. You want to be sure that after the Lord has called you home, your intentions are followed. This is the purpose of putting a plan together. We can't defer this responsibility to anyone else, such as our children. We are the ones to whom God has entrusted responsibility. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can assist you in getting your plan organized. Contact Mark Muehl at 260-241-4845 or [mark.muehl@lfnf.org](mailto:mark.muehl@lfnf.org).

**EVENTS IN DECATUR CIRCUIT:** *St. Peter Lutheran (Fuelling) Church* is going to be conducting their 179<sup>th</sup> anniversary church dinner in October 13<sup>th</sup>, 10AM-1PM, 1033 E 1100 N, Decatur. *Emmanuel Lutheran Church (Soest)*, 9909 Wayne Trace, Fort Wayne, will be having their Fall Rummage & Bake Sale on Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, from 8AM-4PM and on Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, from 8AM-noon. Bag Sale will be on Friday, 1-paper grocery bag for \$2, or 1-13 gal garbage bag for \$5. *St. Peter-Immanuel Lutheran School* is having a Dan's Famous Fish and Tenderloin Dinner & Bake Sale on Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 4PM-7PM with dine-in or drive thru service. The school is located at 3845 E 1100 N, Decatur. Cost is \$13.00 per meal and includes AYCE fish and/or tenderloin, also serving cheesy potatoes, coleslaw or applesauce, cookies and a drink. All proceeds are going towards a library remodel.

**SIDEWALK ADVOCATES FOR LIFE** training will take place at the RLNI Training Center at 3106 Lake Ave, from 9am- Noon, October 24<sup>th</sup>. Learn how to approach people outside our local Planned Parenthood peacefully, prayerfully, and lovingly and redirect them to life-affirming alternatives in our community. Put your passion into action.

## 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 10:2-16

Matthew 9:18-38

Matthew 10:1-23

Matthew 10:24-42

Matthew 11:1-19

Matthew 11:20-30

Matthew 12:1-21

### DAILY LECTIONARY

**The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

### Evening Prayer

Genesis 2:18-25

Deuteronomy 6:10-25

Deuteronomy 7:1-19

Deuteronomy 8:1-20

Deuteronomy 9:1-22

Deuteronomy 9:23-10:22

Deuteronomy 11:1-25

### 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 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost**

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Hebrews 3:12-19

Mark 10:17-22



# What Doctor Luther Says:

## About Woman, Man's Helper for the Increase of Mankind

18. *The Lord God also said: It is not good that man is alone; I shall make him a help which should be before him.*

We have the church established by the Word and a distinct form of worship. There was no need of civil government, since nature was unimpaired and without sin. Now also the household is set up. For God makes a husband of lonely Adam and joins him to a wife, who was needed to bring about the increase of the human race. Just as we pointed out above in connection with the creation of man that Adam was created in accordance with a well-considered counsel, so here, too, we perceive that Eve is being created according to a definite plan. Thus here once more Moses points out that man is a unique creature and that he is suited to be a partaker of divinity and of immortality. For man is a more excellent creature than heaven and earth and everything that is in them.

But Moses wanted to point out in a special way that the other part of humanity, the woman, was created by a unique counsel of God in order to show that this sex, too, is suited for the kind of life which Adam was expecting and that this sex was to be useful for procreation. ...

But here there is a question: "When God says: 'It is not good that man should be alone,' of what good could He be speaking ...?"

My answer is that God is speaking of the common good or that of the species, not of personal good. The personal good is the fact that Adam had innocence. But he was not yet in possession of the common good which the rest of the living beings who propagated their kind through procreation had. For so far Adam was alone; he still had no partner for that magnificent work of begetting and preserving his kind. Therefore "good" in this passage denotes the increase of the human race.

*Luther's Works*, 1:115-16.

# South Zone Gathering October 19, 2024



Zion Lutheran Church  
2313 S. Hanna, Fort Wayne, IN 46803

Registration/Breakfast starts at 8:30 am

Cost \$7 at the door

9:00 am-11:30am Program

**In Gathering:** Hygiene Kits and Love Offering

**Speaker:** Ralph Schmidt from Orphan Grain  
Train

**Theme:** "Wholesome Grain" Ps 65:13

Registration Deadline: Oct. 13th to  
Melvia Culpher at [mculpher@zionfw.org](mailto:mculpher@zionfw.org)





# HYGIENE KITS

## CONTENTS

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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<br>( $\frac{1}{2}$ " 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.*

If you would like to decorate your car, van or truck please sign up at Julie table. If you would like to help supply candy please let Melvia know



**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**PRESENTS:**

**Halloween**

**Trunk or Treat**

26 OCTOBER AT 3 PM  
2313 SOUTH HANNA STREET  
FORT WAYNE, IN 46803



## LSUS NOTES

### Praying for You!

**Please pray for these students/staff:**

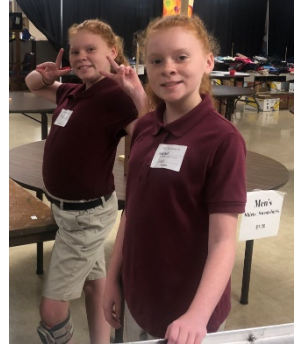
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Aniyah	August	Emmyha
Jariah	Charli	Michael
Ja'maire	Vincente	Mrs. Schwantz
Yanuell	Avari	Mrs. Scheurich
Krishawn	Anthony	
Aniya	Van	



## Rummage Sale

As you all know, Bethlehem, Mt. Calvary, Peace, and Zion decided to work together and have a joint rummage sale and had all the proceeds go to LSUS! The sale was hosted at Bethlehem but had workers from all 4 churches set up and run the sale. Several of our students went to Bethlehem last week to help set up tables, put out merchandise, and help customers shop. They had fun serving our community and asked if they can come back to do more! They even got to pick out items to take home. Together we were able to raise \$5000!

Thank you for putting in the time and effort to raise money for our school! I hope the sale encourages you to continue to support LSUS.





## Phoenix Spirit Wear

The Lutheran South Unity Apparel Store is now open!

<https://lutheransouthunity.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

Don't have internet access, order in the office with cash, check, or credit.

- ◆ Check out what's available for your student and for you.
- ◆ These items make excellent Christmas gifts!
- ◆ All orders will be processed after the store closes.
- ◆ The store will close at midnight on **October 15th**.



## 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



## The Johnny Appleseed Blessing:

Oh, the Lord is good to me,

And so I thank the Lord

For giving me the things I need

The sun, and the rain, and the apple seed.

The Lord is good to me.

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