Historic Zion Cutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL SAINTS

9:00 am Sunday, November 2, 2025

RECEIVING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER AT ZION

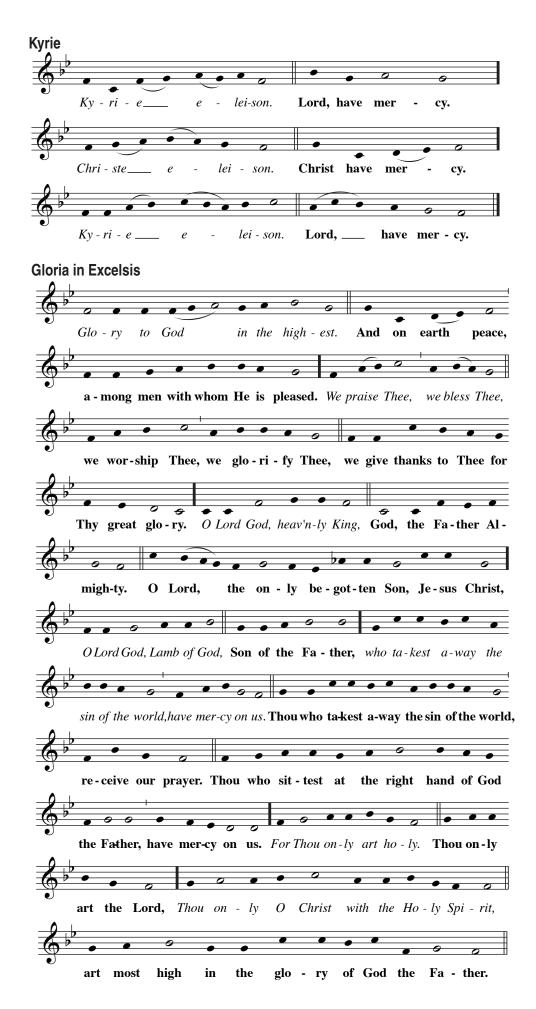
As intended by Christ and as practiced by the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church throughout her history, "Closed Communion" is observed in this congregation, in which the Lord's Supper is distributed only to those:

- (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.

| membership classes. |
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| \pm = appropriate to make the baptismal sign of the cross When "rise" or "kneel" is indicated, it is appropriate to sit if needed |
| Greeting And Announcements: The Lord be with you! And also with you! |
| [Rise] Invocation |
| <i>In the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.</i> 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 |
| O almighty God, merciful Father, |
| 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 \(\frac{1}{2}\) Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen! |
| The Congregation rises, turns towards the entrance of the nave, and faces the Cross |

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

Entrance Hymn We Sing for All the Unsung Saints ... Burgundy Hymn 678





Salutation

The Lord be with you.



Collect for the Commemoration of All Saints: Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



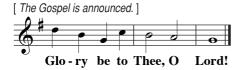
[Be Seated]

+ The Office of the Word of God +

Rise

Sequence Hymn Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones Burgundy Hymn 670

Holy Gospel St. Matthew 5:1-12





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 \pm of the world to come. Amen!

Hymn of the Day For All the Saints Burgundy Hymn 677 [All sing stanzas 1 & 2; Men sing stanzas 3 & 5; Women sing stanzas 4 & 6; All sing stanzas 7 & 8; Rise for stanza 8.

[Be seated] Sermon

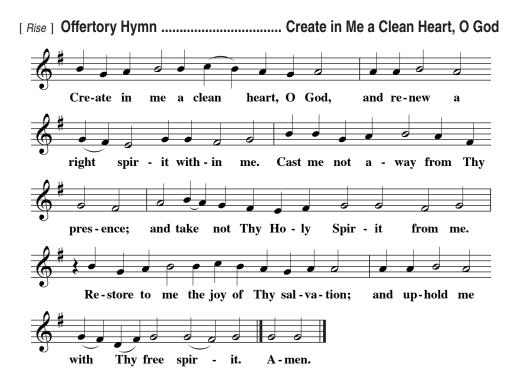
Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

[Rise] Prayer of the Church

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

[Be Seated] Offerings

Choral Voluntary "Rejoice in the Lord" H. Purcell



+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

Preface



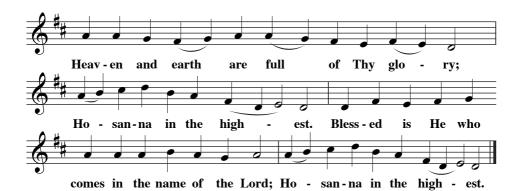
Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



Proper Preface for All Saints' Day, Sanctus

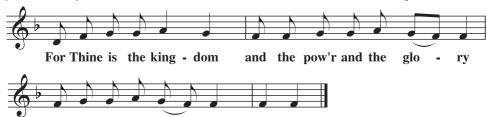
It is truly meet, right and salutary ever more praising You and saying:





[Kneel] Lord's Prayer

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



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Words of Institution, Pax Domini

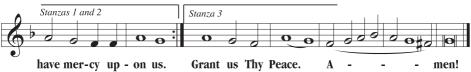
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The peace of the Lord be with you always!



Agnus Dei



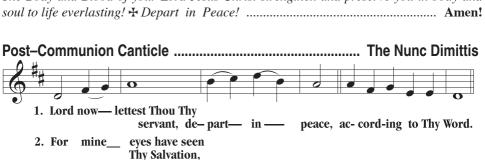


[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns Oh, How Blest Are They Burgundy Hymn 679 Oh, What Their Joy Burgundy Hymn 675 [Rise for Stanza 4,]

Eucharistic Benediction

The Body and Blood of your Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and



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 - - - -



Father, and to_ the_ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.

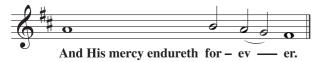


As it was in the beginning, is

be, world with-out end. A-men. now, and e-ver shall

Post Communion Rite

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

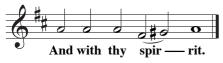


Prayer of Thanksgiving ... now and forever.



The Lord be with you.

Bless we the Lord.





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.



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

Recessional Hymn Glorious Things Burgundy Hymn 648 [Sung to the tune "Abott's Leigh" (LSB 646.]

Postlude

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Readings for the Feast of All Saints

The First Reading is Revelation 7:2-17

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

12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,

12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,

12,000 from the tribe of Gad,

12,000 from the tribe of Asher,

12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,

12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,

12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,

12,000 from the tribe of Levi,

12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,

12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,

12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,

12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

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

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

"Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;

the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Epistle is 1 John 3:1-3

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

The Gospel is Matthew 5:1-12

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

And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

- "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
- "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.
- "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
 - "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.
 - "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
 - "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.
- "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

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

Hymns for the Feast of All Saints

LSB678 We Sing for All the Unsung Saints

Carl P. Daw, Jr.

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

LSB670 Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

J. Athelstan L. Riley

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

LSB677 For All the Saints

William W. How

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

LSB679 Oh, How Blest Are They

Simon Dach

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

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

LSB675 Oh, What Their Joy

Peter Abelard

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

LSB648 Glorious Things of You Are Spoken

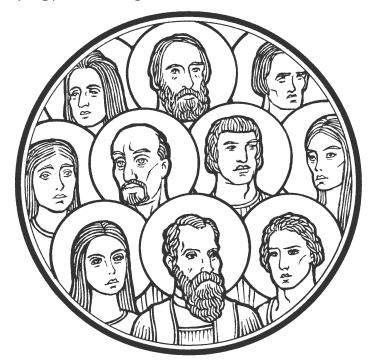
John Newton

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

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

- Thus deriving from their banner Light by night and shade by day, Safe they feed upon the manna Which God gives them on their way.
- 4. Savior, since of Zion's city I through grace a member am, Let the world deride or pity, I will glory in Your name. Fading are the world's vain pleasures, All their boasted pomp and show; Solid joys and lasting treasures None but Zion's children know.

The Feast of All Saints (transferred)



Zion Kvangelical 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: Nathaniel Demlow, Joshua Fuchs

The Teaching Staff at Lutheran South Unity

Principal: Amber Bahr (744-0459; <u>www.lsusfw.org</u>)
Teachers: Yvonne Schwantz (8th, MS ELA), Michael Cullen (7th, MS Science),

Chase Mertz (6th, MS Social Studies), Danielle Ramsey (5th), Abbey Kohler (4th), Rachel Wiegman (3rd), John Fink (2nd), Hannah Fink (1st), Michelle Madden (K), Natalie Reynolds (Art), Elisa Sawall (Music), Lee Buxton (PE), Cathie Wakeland (Literacy Coach), Arianna Blake (LSEM), Melissa White (FWCS) & Sarah Wheaton (EACS) (Title I Tutors)

The Support Staff

Organist and Director of Parish Music: Church Office Manager: Michael Hollman, MM Melvia Culpher

PRAYERS FOR TODAY

- + For the church, especially those bearing the cross of persecution, including Bishop Juhana Pohjola and Dr. Päivi Räsänen (before the Finnish Supreme Court)
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad, especially our teachers as they start of another academic year, our fieldworkers Nate Demlow and Josh Fuchs
- + For our nation; for our leaders; for our military, including James Hall & Thaddeus Cody
- + 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 or nearing death, especially Larry Myers and Bob Ockree
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Estella Ramirez, Ruth Reid, Dick Hollman, Art Litke, Henry Williams, Debra Busche, Richard Lammert, Carl Albersmeyer, Connie Houser, Bill Weinrich, Dwight Bieberich, Earl Marcel Sisson, Elaine Seifert, Joe Harrison, Louisa Porter, Gary Phillips, David Groth, Gary Castle, Ron Rastl, Robert & Jenny Hobby
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages, especially Maribeth & Kevin Leininger
- + For the gift of life and for length of days especially for the pregnant mothers Jennifer Wessel, Hannah Fink, and Rachel Wiegman
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit

4:00 PM

- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones, including Rosie & Carl Albersmeyer, Yvonne & Darryl Kirtz
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed, including Fred Hill, Beverly Schilz, & Jesse Lawrence
- + 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 All Saint's Day. The Cross Bowl is given celebration of the 41st wedding anniversary of Maribeth & Kevin Leininger. The Altar Vases are given in loving memory of Fred Hill by DaVanna & David Seifert and family. Please complete an attendance communion card, including the names of all children, and indicate if you are communing. Nonmembers, please read the back of the card.

CALENDAR November 2 2025 thru November 8 2025

| November 2, 2025 thru November 6, 2025 | | | | | |
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| SUN. | 9:00 AM | Divine Service | Church | | |
| | 10:45 AM | Adult Bible Study | Bauer Hall | | |
| | | Lutheran Identity study | Conference Room | | |
| MON. | | | | | |
| TUES. | 9:00 AM | Weekday Bible Study | Bauer Hall | | |
| | 9:30 AM | Fort Wayne South Winkel | Church & Bauer Hall | | |
| WED. | 9:30 AM | Men of Zion Bible Study | Conference Room | | |
| | 5:30 PM | Wednesday Divine Service | Church | | |
| THURS. | 7:00 PM | Council of Elders | Conference Room | | |
| FRI. | | | | | |
| SAT. | 11:00 AM | Private Confession | Church | | |
| | | November 9, 2025 | | | |
| SUN. | 9:00 AM | Divine Service | Church | | |
| | 10:45 AM | Education Hour | Various | | |

Bach Collegium Fall Concert

Church

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: Dr. Voelz continues today in the Gospel according to St. Mark, in Bauer Hall. Sem. Nate Demlow is leading the alternate adult/teenage class, in the Conference Room.

THANKS to everyone who helped support LSUS by attending the benefit dinner, by setting up, and by serving. From Melvia.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE: 2 Timothy 2:13—"If we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself." Last week's verse was Genesis 15:6.

INGATHERING FOR SEMINARY FOOD COOP: starting next Sunday there will be a table set up for food collection for the seminary Food Coop. On the table will be a list of food needs along with brown grocery bags. As you are able, please purchase suggested items and bring them to church, and Pastor or Melvia will get them to the seminary. Our food collection will run from Nov 2nd until Dec 7th. Thanks for supporting the students and their families.

FALL CLEAN-UP: The leaves are falling, which means it's almost time for Zion's fall clean up. So please join us between 9 a.m. and noon, Nov. 15, as we rake, clean, and prepare Zion's buildings and grounds for winter. Bring rakes and other tools you may need. Refreshments will be served! Contact Kevin Leininger at 615-9896 for more information.

THE GOOD SHEPHERD INSTITUTE begins next Sunday, November 9, with some appealing musical events scheduled. At 4:30 p.m. Sunday is an Organ Recital featuring Nicholas Quardokus of Grace Church Cathedral, Charleston, South Carolina. Then at 7:30 p.m. that same Sunday is a Choral Vespers with the Seminary Kantorei, soloists, and a vocal ensemble performing the Bach motet, "Jesu, meine Freude" (Jesus, Priceless Treasure). Kantor Kevin Hildebrand is directing and Kantor Matthew Machemer is the organist. On Monday, November 10, 7:30 p.m., at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, downtown, there will be a Hymn Festival commemorating the 1700th anniversary of the Nicene Creed with a Festival Choir from local LCMS congregations, the A Cappella Choir from Concordia Lutheran High School, the Seminary Schola Cantorum, and the Fort Wayne Philharmonic Brass (Kantor Machemer directing and Kantor Hildebrand as organist). There will be commentary by Dr. Carl Beckwith.

CLHS IMPACT EVENTS end today (at the high school), but you can still contribute. I encourage you to learn more by visiting <u>cadetsboldstep.org</u>. You should be able to make a pledge or give online. Everyone's support is needed to get project 2 done during this construction phase. If we have to wait for another phase, we'll have to endure significant cost increases. If you can ...

LSUS: if you have any fall/harvest decorations that you aren't using, please consider donating them to LSUS by November 3rd. Contact Erica Pearson (260-744-0459) for more info.

WORSHIP ANEW is seeking seniors to read devotions for seniors. Worship Anew records each of its daily Hope-Full Living devotions to air online and on our app. We are seeking senior males and females for the audio recordings. Times are flexible. The process will begin with a test session. Please contact 260-471-5683 or thomas@worshipanew.org if interested.

MARTINI LUTHERAN CHURCH RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE: Martini Lutheran, 333 Moeller Rd, New Haven, is holding a rummage and bake sale Thursday, Nov. 6th: 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM and Friday, Nov. 7th: 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM. There will be a Bag Sale on Friday! Fill a bag for one low price! Delicious homemade baked goods, gently used clothing, home goods, books, and more bargains for every budget will be for sale! Come find treasures, enjoy some sweet treats, and support our community.

SHARING PEACE CAFÉ: Peace Lutheran Church at 4900 Fairfield Ave is seeking a part-time café manager. This position has flexible hours and targets 15 hours per week. Café hours are currently 8am-1pm Monday through Thursday and Sunday 8:30am-11am. If you are interested or have questions, please contact the café via email (<u>cafeministry@peacelutheranfw.org</u>), phone (260-458-9382), or call the church office (260-744-3869)

For the family of God's Priestly People at Zion

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

| Morning Prayer | DAILY LECTIONARY | Evening Prayer |
|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Matthew 5:1-12 | All Saints' Day | Revelation 7:2-17 |
| Matthew 22:1-22 | Monday | Jeremiah 3:6-4:2 |
| Matthew 22:23-46 | Tuesday | Jeremiah 5:1-19 |
| Matthew 23:1-12 | Wednesday | Jeremiah 7:1-29 |
| Matthew 23:13-39 | Thursday | Jeremiah 8:189:12 |
| Matthew 24:1-28 | Friday | Jeremiah 11:1-23 |
| Matthew 24:29-51 | Saturday | Jeremiah 20:1-18 |

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-second Sunday after Pentecost



What Doctor Luther Says:

About the God Who Restores and Glorifies

[W]e are buried and committed to the earth, to rottenness and worms. We are sown (of. 1 Cor. 15:42-44) in weakness, corruption, dishonor, and foulness, in such a mean and disgraceful form that it is almost more desirable not to have been born than to be gnawed and consumed so ignominiously by worms and rottenness. Thus we are reduced to nothing. But God says: "From this nothing ..., from this rottenness, these worms, this foulness, and this dust I will raise you and make you not only a Manasseh but also an Ephraim brighter than the sun." Thus this will finally come about, for we have a most certain promise. Accordingly, although all things in this life do not flow according to our will and good pleasure, nevertheless in the future life we, too, will declare: "God has made me forget my father's house and all my trouble."

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

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

Luther's Works, 7:210-11.

Saints of Zion Lutheran Church Called Home to Christ in the Past Church Year



Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life. Revelation 2:10 John W. Starks Jr.

Born January 21, 1963

Reborn into Christ April 15, 1977

Called home to his Savior December 15, 2024

Living 61 years, 10 months, and 25 days on earth

and alive in Christ forever!

Ronald Lee Silvers
Born February 10, 1956
Reborn into Christ February 26, 1956
Called home to his Savior January 31, 2025
Living 68 years, 11 months, and 22 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!

Janice Louise Grim
Born May 15, 1935
Reborn into Christ June 30, 1935
Called home to her Savior March 14, 2025
Living 89 years and 10 months on earth
and alive in Christ forever!

Alice Elaine Padgett
Born June 26, 1934
Reborn into Christ March 30, 1947
Called home to her Savior March 16, 2025
Living 90 years, 8 months, and 19 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!

Julian DeMar Holliday
Born March 31, 1980
Reborn into Christ January 26, 1986
Called home to his Savior April 22, 2025
Living 45 years and 23 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!

Marq Anthony Rogers-Neal Born July 2, 1994 Reborn into Christ April 15, 2006 Called home to his Savior May 13, 2025 Living 30 years, 10 months, and 12 days on earth and alive in Christ forever!

Mary Beth Bieberich
Born July 27, 1943
Reborn into Christ 1959
Called home to her Savior May 24, 2025
Living 81 years, 9 months, and 28 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!

Pamela Lattimore
Born October 22, 1959
Reborn into Christ June 26, 1966
Called home to her Savior August 25, 2025
Living 65 years, 10 months, and 4 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!

Phyllis Lattimore
Born April 2, 1940
Reborn into Christ 1941
Called home to her Savior September 27, 2025
Living 85 years, 5 months, and 26 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!

Willodean Bates
Born January 30, 1935
Reborn into Christ
Called home to her Savior October 6, 2025
Living 90 years, 8 months, and 7 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!

LSUS NOTES

Praying for You!

Please pray for these students/staff:

Kaiden Aaleyah
Gabriella Ivan
Yanuell Justin
Jacielle Mr. Mertz
Julie Mr. Jordan
Sierra Nurse Beverly







Monday, Nov. 3rd 4:30 pm: JV vs. St. John Kendallville @ Bethlehem

Wednesday, Nov. 4th 7:00 pm: Varsity @ ESM

Thursday, Nov. 6th 4:30 pm: JV @ Wyneken

Thursday, Nov. 6th 5:45 pm: Varsity @ Wyneken

Fri.-Sun., Nov. 7th-8th Tournament @Suburban Bethlehem

11/7 - 4:30 pm v. St. Peters 11/8 - 10:15 am v. Concordia

Encouragement Found in Scriptures:

He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also, he has put eternity into man's heart, yet so that he cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end. — Ecclesiastes 3:11

Evangelism Training & Practice

Saturday, November 8, 2025 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

A seminar event open to students and faculty alike.

CTSFW is partnering with the Indiana District and Trinity Lutheran Church for an evangelism seminar. Learn and practice evangelism, gain experience, support the local church, and help others hear of Christ and His love for them.

Schedule for the Seminar

- 9:00 a.m.—Matins
- Door-to-door evangelism instruction by Dr. Geoff Robinson, Mission Executive for the Indiana District
- Lunch
- Invite Trinity's neighbors to church
- 3:00 p.m.—Departure



Location

Trinity Lutheran Church 7819 Decatur Rd Fort Wayne, IN 46816

RSVP

Please RSVP by November 1 to Lori Matter (lorinda.matter@ctsfw.edu).

Save the Date

Mark your calendar for a follow-up training and visit on December 13 at Trinity.



NOVEMBER EVENT SCHEDULE

FACEBOOK: BRIDGE 20/30 GROUP FT. WAYNE | INSTAGRAM: THEBRIDGE2030

4 NOV 2025 MEETUP - RACK & HELEN'S TRIVIA | TACO TUESDAY

7 PM 525 BROADWAY STREET NEW HAVEN, IN

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THE PORCH NIGHT: SERIES ON VANITY: A STUDY OF THE BOOK OF FCCI ESIASTES

BRING A BLANK T-SHIRT & GET FREE 20/30 BRIDGE SCREEN PRINT BY ANNIE!

7 PM HOLY CROSS YOUTH CENTER 3420 N. ANTHONY BLVD

18 NOV 2025 THANKS & GIVING: PROJECT 216 SERVICE PROJECT FOOD PACKING EVENT TO FIGHT HUNGER FOLLOWED BY FELLOWSHIP

7 PM 3020 CONGRESSIONAL PARKWAY, FT. WAYNE

25 NOV 2025

FRIENDSGIVING

BRING A DISH TO SHARE & GRATITUDE DEVOTION

7 PM THE GARDEN 3308 N. ANTHONY BLVD



Concert I - November 9

With a Shepherd's Care

Zion Lutheran Church 2313 S Hanna Street Fort Wayne 4:00 PM



LIFE NEWS—NOVEMBER 2025



lutheransforlife.org

Life Newsbytes

A new abortion center in Colorado has begun killing unborn babies in abortions up to birth and for any reason. The abortion business operators declare that "any reason you have for needing abortion care is yours, and it is the right one." The RISE Collective, formed by former staff of the now-closed Boulder Abortion Clinic, which also killed babies in late-term abortions, opened its doors in Boulder and started scheduling appointments for late-term abortions two weeks ago. The facility kills babies up to 34 weeks' gestation—about 13 weeks after the point of fetal viability-making it one of only a handful of such centers nationwide where babies can be killed in the third trimester without any medical justification required. With thousands of premature babies born at 34 weeks or earlier, that is functionally up to birth in some cases. Colorado's lack of any limits on abortion has turned the state into a magnet for "abortion tourism," drawing customers from across the country to end the lives of their unborn children at any stage of pregnancy. The RISE Collective employs 20% of the abortionists in the U.S. that kill babies in late-term abortions, ensuring a steady pipeline for these deadly procedures ... Pro-life leaders, who initially rejoiced at the Boulder Abortion Clinic's closure ... expressed outrage at the swift resurrection of its gruesome mission under new management. (LifeNews.com, 10/21/25)



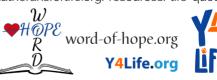
Speaking up For Life

"In the fullness of time, our Lord was born for our sake. In the fullness of time, He will bring all the faithful into eternal fellowship with Him. In the fullness of time, He will dry every tear and fulfill His will for all mankind, as John the Evangelist witnessed in the Revelation God granted him." Deaconess Bethany Stoever, Director-at-Large, LFL of Kansas

"For no one of those who are alive today knows where he was during the first two years, when he lived either in the womb ... Yet he lived at that time, and he was a body joined to a soul—a body adapted to all natural functions." *Martin Luther*

"In spades the Lord has taught me—and prayerfully you also—that Psalm 23 is a thanksgiving psalm. He anoints our heads, which is the Old Testament way of saying He chooses us as kings. He makes us a part of His royal household! Man, are we blessed as His kids!" Pastor Keith Haberstock, guest speaker on "The Lutheran Hour"

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A Response to President Trump's IVF Policy

by Rev. Dr. Aric Fenske

While we applaud President Trump's efforts to increase the number of babies being born, we at Lutherans For Life stand behind our position objecting to the use of In Vitro Fertilization. (See Position Statements of Lutherans For Life: lutheransforlife.org/life-issues/position-statements.)

Our hearts certainly ache for those who desire to have children and yet have not been able by God's grace to physically bear them. However, we must recognize that the current practice of IVF is ethically problematic on several grounds and is not life affirming.

The fertility drugs which the President has worked to offer at a lower cost to women have proven to be dangerous to women. Additionally, the practice of IVF often violates the one-flesh union of husband and wife which God ordained for the procreation of children. Finally, the current practice of IVF leads to the wanton destruction of thousands of children, as many embryos deemed unfit for the process are destroyed, and many more unused embryos (children) remain frozen, sometimes indefinitely.

We continue to maintain that every child conceived, including those conceived via IVF, are precious to God and worthy of every dignity. Likewise, the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ covers all sins, and every parent who knowingly or unknowingly may have destroyed life through IVF should know that their sins have been atoned for. But we simply cannot agree with or condone this new policy from President Trump.

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