

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE FESTIVAL OF THE REFORMATION

9:00 am Sunday, October 26, 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.

✠ = *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!*

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.

[Rise] **Invocation**

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

Entrance Hymn Thy Strong Word Burgundy Hymn 578

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

Kyrie

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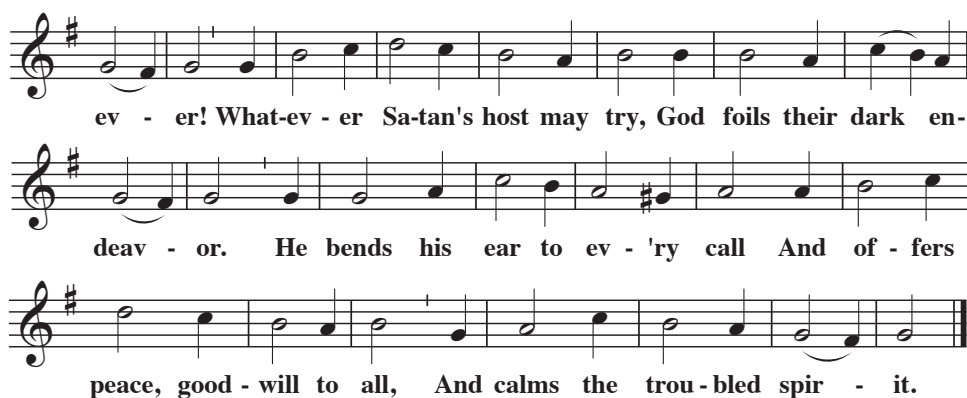
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Gloria in Excelsis

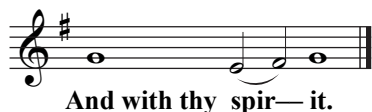
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Salutation

The Lord be with you.



Collect for the Festival of the Reformation: *Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, 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 +

First Reading..... Revelation 14:6-7

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

Epistle of the Day Romans 3:19-28

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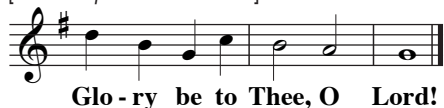
[Rise]

Sequence Hymn **Salvation unto Us** **Burgundy Hymn 555: st 1-4**

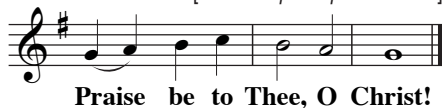
[Sing stanzas 1 through 4 before the Gospel.]

Holy Gospel **St. John 8:31-36**

[The Gospel is announced.]



[The Gospel is proclaimed.]



[After the Gospel has been returned to the Altar, the congregation is seated.]

Hymn of the Day **Salvation unto Us** **Burgundy Hymn 555: st 5-10**

[All sing stanza 5; Men sing stanzas 6 & 8; Women sing stanzas 7 & 9;

All sing stanza 10; Rise for stanza 10.]

[Be seated]

Sermon

[Rise]

+ The Office of Confession of Sins and Holy Absolution +

Having heard the Word of God, and as we prepare for the great gift of the Holy Sacrament of Christ's body and blood, let us confess our sins and receive God's 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!*

[Rise]

Confession of Faith We All Believe Burgundy Hymn 954

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**

Choral Voluntary Jesus Christ, The Lord of Joy P. Bouman

[Rise] **Offertory Hymn 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 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.

[Kneel]

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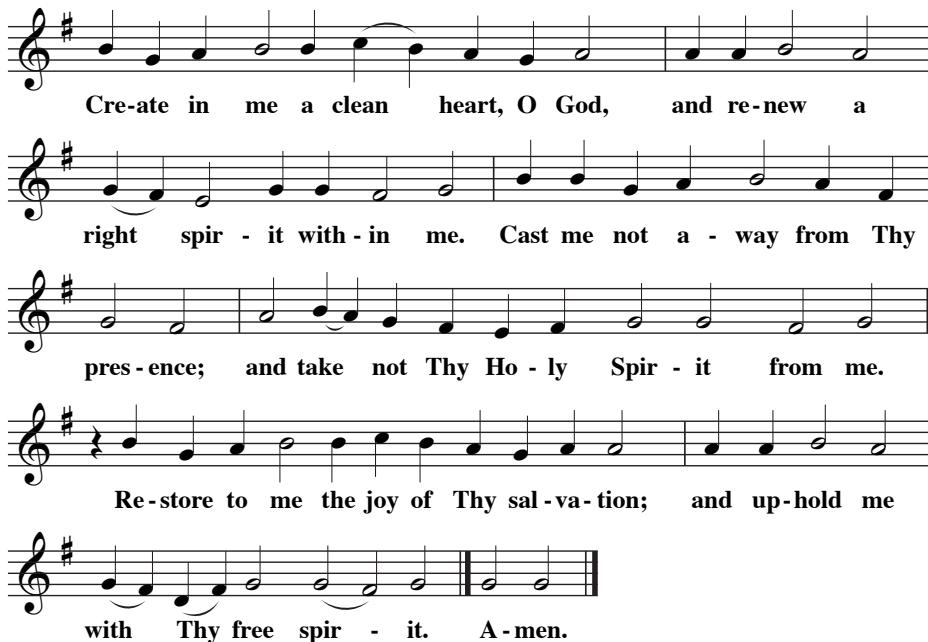
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Post-Communion Canticle The Nunc Dimittis



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.



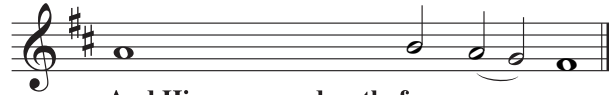
4. Glo— ry_ be to the
Father, and to_ the _ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



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.

Bless we the Lord.



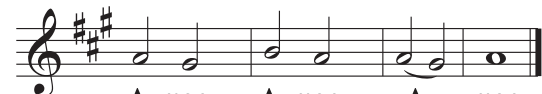
And with thy spir — rit.



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 A Mighty Fortress Burgundy Hymn 656

Postlude

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Readings for the Festival of the Reformation

The First Reading is Revelation 14:6-7

Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. And he said with a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

The Epistle is Romans 3:19-28

Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God’s righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

The Gospel is John 8:31-36

So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free’?”

Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”

Hymns for the Festival of the Reformation

LSB578 Thy Strong Word

Martin H. Franzmann

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1. Thy strong word did cleave the darkness; At Thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank Thee, While Thine ordered seasons run.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
2. Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness, Dark as night and deep as death,
Broke the light of Thy salvation, Breathed Thine own life breathing breath.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- W 3. Thy strong word bespeaks us righteous; Bright with Thine own holiness,
Glorious now, we press toward glory, And our lives our hopes confess.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- M 4. From the cross Thy wisdom shining Breaketh forth in conqu'ring might;
From the cross forever beameth All Thy bright redeeming light.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
5. Give us lips to sing Thy glory, Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
Throats that shout the hope that fills us, Mouths to speak Thy holy name.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- Δ 6. God the Father, light-creator, To Thee laud and honor be.
To Thee, Light of light begotten, Praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, light-revealer, Glory, glory be to Thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever Praise the holy Trinity!

LSB947 All Glory Be to God on High

Nicolaus Decius

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1. All glory be to God on high And thanks to him forever;
Whatever Satan's host may try, God foils their dark endeavor.
He bends his ear to ev'ry call And offers peace, goodwill to all,
And calms the troubled spirit.

LSB555 Salvation Unto Us Has Come, sts. 1-4

Paul Speratus

1. Salvation unto us has come By God's free grace and favor;
Good works cannot avert our doom, They help and save us never.
Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone, Who did for all the world atone;
He is our one Redeemer.
2. What God did in His Law demand And none to Him could render
Caused wrath and woe on ev'ry hand For man, the vile offender.
Our flesh has not those pure desires The spirit of the Law requires,
And lost is our condition.
3. It was a false, misleading dream That God His Law had given
That sinners could themselves redeem And by their works gain heaven.
The Law is but a mirror bright To bring the inbred sin to light
That lurks within our nature.
4. From sin our flesh could not abstain, Sin held its sway unceasing;
The task was useless and in vain, Our guilt was e'er increasing.
None can remove sin's poisoned dart Or purify our guileful heart —
So deep is our corruption.

LSB555 Salvation Unto Us Has Come, sts. 5-10

Paul Speratus

5. Yet as the law must be fulfilled Or we must die despairing,
Christ came and has God's anger stilled, Our human nature sharing.
He has for us the Law obeyed And thus the Father's vengeance stayed
Which over us impended.
- M 6. Since Christ has full atonement made And brought to us salvation,
Each Christian therefore may be glad And build on this foundation.
Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead, Your death is now my life indeed,
For You have paid my ransom.
- W 7. Let me not doubt, but truly see Your Word cannot be broken:
Your call rings out, "Come unto Me!" No falsehood have You spoken.
Baptized into Your precious name, My faith cannot be put to shame,
And I shall never perish.
- M 8. The Law reveals the guilt of sin And makes us conscience-stricken;
But then the Gospel enters in The sinful soul to quicken.
Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live; The Law no peace can ever give,
No comfort and no blessing.

- W 9. Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone And rests in Him unceasing;
And by its fruits true faith is known, With love and hope increasing.
For faith alone can justify; Works serve our neighbor and supply
The proof that faith is living.
- △ 10. All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise To Father, Son, and Spirit,
The God who saved us by His grace; All glory to His merit.
triune God in heav'n above, You have revealed Your saving love;
Your blessed name we hallow.

LSB954 We All Believe in One True God

Martin Luther

1. We all believe in one true God, Who created earth and heaven,
The Father, who to us in love Has the right of children given.
He in soul and body feeds us; All we need His hand provides us;
Through all snares and perils leads us, Watching that no harm betide us.
He cares for us by day and night; All things are governed by His might.
2. We all believe in Jesus Christ, His own Son, our Lord, possessing
An equal Godhead, throne, and might, Source of ev'ry grace and blessing;
Born of Mary, virgin mother, By the power of the Spirit,
Word made flesh, our elder brother; That the lost might life inherit,
Was crucified for all our sin And raised by God to life again.
3. We all confess the Holy Ghost, Who, in highest heaven dwelling
With God the Father and the Son, Comforts us beyond all telling;
Who the Church, His own creation, Keeps in unity of spirit.
Here forgiveness and salvation Daily come through Jesus' merit.
All flesh shall rise, and we shall be In bliss with God eternally.
Amen, amen.

LSB644 The Church's One Foundation

Samuel J. Stone

1. The Church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is His new creation By water and the Word.
From heav'n He came and sought her To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.
2. Elect from ev'ry nation, Yet one o'er all the earth;
Her charter of salvation: One Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses With ev'ry grace endued.

3. Though with a scornful wonder The world sees her oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder, By heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping; Their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping Shall be the morn of song.
4. Through toil and tribulation And tumult of her war
She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.
5. Yet she on earth has union With God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion With those whose rest is won.
O blessed heav'nly chorus! Lord, save us by Your grace
That we, like saints before us, May see You face to face.

LSB587 I Know My Faith Is Founded

Erdmann Neumeister

1. I know my faith is founded On Jesus Christ, my God and Lord;
And this my faith confessing, Unmoved I stand on His sure Word.
Our reason cannot fathom The truth of God profound;
Who trusts in human wisdom Relies on shifting ground.
God's Word is all-sufficient, It makes divinely sure;
And trusting in its wisdom, My faith shall rest secure.
2. Increase my faith, dear Savior, For Satan seeks by night and day
To rob me of this treasure And take my hope of bliss away.
But, Lord, with You beside me, I shall be undismayed;
And led by Your good Spirit, I shall be unafraid.
Abide with me, O Savior, A firmer faith bestow;
Then I shall bid defiance To ev'ry evil foe.
3. In faith, Lord, let me serve You; Though persecution, grief, and pain
Should seek to overwhelm me, Let me a steadfast trust retain;
And then at my departure, Lord, take me home to You,
Your riches to inherit As all You said holds true.
In life and death, Lord, keep me Until Your heav'n I gain,
Where I by Your great mercy The end of faith attain.

LSB656 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Martin Luther

1. A mighty fortress is our God, A trusty shield and weapon;
He helps us free from ev'ry need That hath us now o'ertaken.
The old evil foe Now means deadly woe;
Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight;
On earth is not his equal.
2. With might of ours can naught be done, Soon were our loss effected;
But for us fights the Valiant One, Whom God Himself elected.
Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is,
Of Sabaoth Lord, And there's none other God;
He holds the field forever.
3. Though devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us.
We tremble not, we fear no ill; They shall not overpow'r us.
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none. He's judged; the deed is done;
One little word can fell him.
4. The Word they still shall let remain Nor any thanks have for it;
He's by our side upon the plain With His good gifts and Spirit.
And take they our life, Goods, fame, child, and wife,
Though these all be gone, Our vict'ry has been won;
The Kingdom ours remaineth.

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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:

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Nathaniel Demlow, Joshua Fuchs

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Principal:

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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 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, Sarah Hollman, 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
- + 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
- + 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 Reformation day. The Cross Bowl is given in recognition of the conformation of André Woodard with thanks for his confession of the Evangelical Lutheran faith. 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 26, 2025 thru November 1, 2025

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:45 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
		Lutheran Identity study	Conference Room
MON.	10:45 AM	Education Council	Church
	5:30 PM	CEA Board	CLHS
	7:00 PM	CEA Delegate	CLHS
TUES.	9:00 AM	Weekday Bible Study	Bauer Hall
	12 NOON	Administrative Council	Conference Room
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion Bible Study	Conference Room
	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Church
THURS.			
FRI.			
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church
	5:00 PM	LSUS Benefit Dinner	Bauer & Great Halls

November 2, 2025

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:45 AM	Education Hour	Various

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.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE: Genesis 15:6—“And he believed the Lord, and he counted it to him as righteousness.” Last week’s verse was 1 John 4:2.

THANK YOU to everyone who brought in candy, helped with set up, distributed hot dogs, and/or decorated a car for our Trunk or Treat.

DAYLIGHT SAVING ends next Sunday, November 2nd at 2 PM. Move your clocks one hour back before going to bed. You’ll get an extra hour of sleep. Forget and you’ll be early for church.

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.

CLHS IMPACT EVENTS will soon end. You have four more opportunities to attend one (between today and next Sunday) and learn about the exciting projects CLHS is taking on. Everyone’s participation is important. I continue to encourage you to attend an impact meeting and prayerfully consider giving. To learn more, please visit cadetsboldstep.org. Remember: click on “Find An Impact Event” to find an event to attend. You can give online, too, by clicking on “Give to A BOLD STEP.”

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.

WE CAN FACE COMPETING PRIORITIES when we think about planning our estates. To work on your Christian Estate Plan today, you must decide if you are more controlled by past goals or future dreams. Throughout life, many of our decisions are based on financial budget decisions, whether we can afford this or that, and planning for retirement. As life changes, we start anticipating when we get to go home to be with Jesus, instead of focusing on the temporary needs of this life. That can change our perspective about our gift plan in our Christian Estate plan, that focused on transferring blessings to family or ministry. There is freedom at this point in life. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you to explore that new freedom. Contact Mark Muehl at mark.muehl@lfnd.org or 260-241-4845.

ST. PETER-IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL is having a Dan’s Famous Fish and Tenderloin Dinner & Bake Sale on Saturday November 1st from 4:00-7:00pm with dine-in or drive thru service. The school is located at 3845 E 1100 N Decatur, IN 46733. Cost is \$15.00 per meal and includes AYCE fish and or tenderloin, also serving cheesy potatoes, applesauce or homemade coleslaw, cookies and a drink. All proceeds are going towards refurbishing the gym floor.

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.

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

John 8:31-36

Matthew 18:21-35

Matthew 19:1-15

Matthew 19:16-30

Matthew 20:1-16

Matthew 20:17-34

Matthew 21:1-22

DAILY LECTIONARY

Reformation Day

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Evening Prayer

Revelation 14:6-7

Deuteronomy 29:1-29

Deuteronomy 30:1-20

Deuteronomy 31:1-29

Deuteronomy 31:30–32:27

Deuteronomy 32:28-52

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

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 Feast of All Saints

Revelation 7:2-17

1 John 3:1-3

Matthew 5:1-12



What Doctor Luther Says:

About Opposition to the Eternal Gospel of Christ

Paul suffered the same trial that we suffer today. He was deeply distressed by the indignity of seeing his fine teaching followed by so many sects, upheavals, disturbances of public life, and revolutions, all of which caused endless trouble and scandal. The Jews accused him of being a pestilent fellow, an agitator among his people throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes (Acts 24:5) ...

Today we are forced to listen to the same thing to which Paul and the other apostles were forced to listen then: that from our Gospel there have arisen many troubles, sedition, war, party spirit, and endless offenses. Whatever upheaval there is today is blamed on us. But surely we do not plant heresies and godless dogmas, but we preach the Gospel message that Christ is our Justifier and Savior. ... The more the high priests forbade the apostles to teach in the name of Jesus, the more they testified that this Jesus, whom they had crucified, was Lord and Christ (Acts 2:36), and that whoever called upon Him would be saved (Rom. 10:13); "for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved" (Acts 4:12).

With the same confidence we today proclaim Christ, without paying heed to the cries of the wicked papists and of all our opponents, who complain that our teaching is seditious and blasphemous because it disturbs the status quo, overthrows religion, plants heresy, and, in short, is the source of every evil. When Christ and the apostles preached, the same complaints were raised by the wicked Jews ...

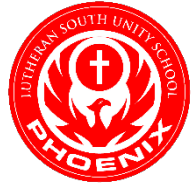
[Nevertheless,] because we believe, we shall speak (2 Cor. 4:13), as we sigh, enduring the persecutions of our opponents, until Christ our High Priest and King comes from heaven — which we hope will be soon
Luther's Works, 26:425-8.

LSUS NOTES

Praying for You!

Please pray for these students/staff:

Samuel	Kenny
Angel	LeShon
Santino	Larkin
Kiarrah	Mrs. Kohler
Kayden	Mrs. Ramsey
Sebastian	Nurse Beverly



Pumpkins, PTO, and Plenty More!

Mark your calendars—there's a lot coming up! Join the community at Zion Lutheran Church's Trunk-or-Treat and Peace Lutheran Church's Trunk-or-Treat for some spooktacular fun! Looking ahead, the LSUS Benefit Dinner is November 1st, followed by our next PTO Meeting on November 5th—we'll be planning even more exciting events. Don't forget to save the date for our big Harvest Fest on November 15th!

YOU ARE INVITED TO

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

GET YOUR BEST COSTUME READY AND JOIN IN OUT FUN AS YOU GO CAR TO CAR.

OCTOBER

SATURDAY 25 AT 3:00 PM

2313 SOUTH HANNA ST.



TRUNK OR TREAT

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH - 4900 FAIRFIELD AVE.

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

DOOR PRIZES, HOT DOGS, CHIPS, TREATS, COSTUMES, MUSIC

Sunday, October 26 3-4:30pm

Another Positive Outreach Event Supported by:



Contact: Katrina Marcum / 4900 Fairfield Ave / 744-3869 / secretary@peacelutheranfw.org  Sharing Peace Cafe



Lutheran South Unity School Benefit Dinner

November 1, 2025

5:00 PM

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

Cost: \$50 per person

Make checks payable to LSUS

5401 S. Calhoun St.

Fort Wayne, IN 46807

Theme: Rise Up & Soar

Isaiah 40:28-31

Guest Speaker: Scott Schumacher

Live music, Photos and
Eye-catching entertainment

Menu: Italian
gluten free and vegan options



Encouragement Found in Scriptures:

Only fear the Lord and serve him faithfully with all your heart. For consider what great things he has done for you. — 1 Samuel 12: 24

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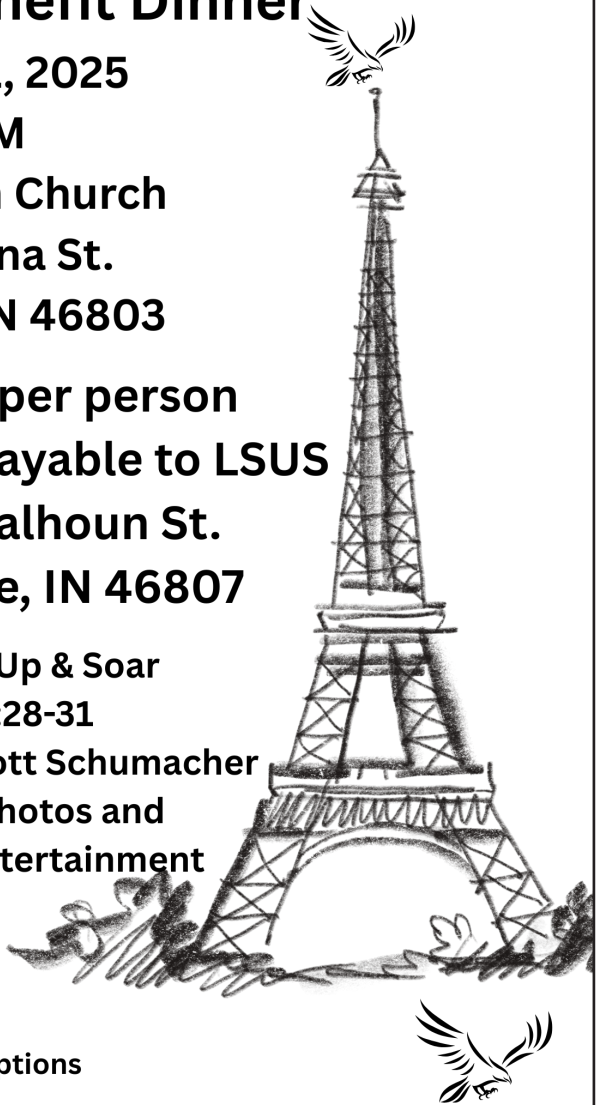
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OCT 2025

DEVOTION ANCHOR NIGHT: "PURSUING GOD DAILY"
WITH BRIAN LOESEL FOLLOWED BY CARDS & GAMES

7 PM THE GARDEN
3308 N. ANTHONY BLVD

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OCT 2025

MEETUP - KEKIONGA CRAFT COMPANY

HANG OUT INSIDE OR ON THEIR LIT UP PATIO AND
SIP ON THEIR SEASONAL HARD CIDERS!

7-9 PM 7328 MAYSVILLE ROAD
FORT WAYNE

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OCT 2025

THE PORCH NIGHT: SERIES ON VANITY: A STUDY OF
THE BOOK OF ECCLESIASTES

7 PM HOLY CROSS YOUTH CENTER
3420 N. ANTHONY BLVD

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OCT 2025

COSTUME PARTY & PUMPKIN CARVING

COME IN COSTUME & BRING A PUMPKIN TO CARVE.

7 PM THE GARDEN
3308 N. ANTHONY BLVD



NOVEMBER EVENT SCHEDULE

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NOV 2025

MEETUP - RACK & HELEN'S
TRIVIA | TACO TUESDAY

7 PM 525 BROADWAY STREET
NEW HAVEN, IN

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NOV 2025

THE PORCH NIGHT: SERIES ON VANITY: A STUDY OF THE
BOOK OF ECCLESIASTES

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

7 PM HOLY CROSS YOUTH CENTER
3420 N. ANTHONY BLVD

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NOV 2025

THANKS & GIVING: PROJECT 216 SERVICE PROJECT

FOOD PACKING EVENT TO FIGHT HUNGER FOLLOWED
BY FELLOWSHIP

7 PM 3020 CONGRESSIONAL
PARKWAY, FT. WAYNE

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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

