

Zion Lutheran Church



*Twenty First Sunday
After Pentecost
October 9th 2016*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by Eric & Michelle Hunsberger in Honor of Aaron's 9th birthday and Grandpa & MeMaw Meier in Honor of granddaughter Meadow & grandson Brandon's baptismal anniversary.
- **ETERNAL LIGHT** is given by Kathleen & Wayne Conn in Honor of their Wedding Anniversary.
- **BELL CHOIR:** We are getting closer and closer to buying our own set of hand bells! That being said, we still have a long way to go. Please prayerfully consider contributing to this area of our music ministry. Mark your calendars, we will have a "Reformation Concert" October 30th to benefit the hand bell choir. Stay tuned for more details about this event next month! Also check out the "Dress the Vicar" poster in the narthex!
- **CHILI COOK-OFF** was a huge success! Zion won 1st place in the Judges vote for a non-profit category! Thank you to all those that helped and came out and voted!
- **PRAYER OUTSIDE PLANNED PARENTHOOD** On Saturday, November 12, a group from Zion will stand outside the abortion clinic downtown to pray and offer help. We will meet at Zion at 9 to eat and pray, carpool to Planned Parenthood, and be back by 1:30. If this is your first time you are welcome to leave earlier from the clinic. Contact Vicar for more information.
- **VOTER'S MEETING:** A meeting of the Voters' Assembly Assembly will be held starting at 9:30 am on Sunday October 30th. The main item of business is approving the 2017 slate of officers for Zion Lutheran Bridgeville. Please plan to attend this important meeting between services on the 30th.
- **2016 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM:** "*S is for Savior*" coming SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1 PM in the Sanctuary. A pizza/subs/salad/dessert lunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall immediately following second service and prior to the program. **SAVE THE DATE:** Come see and encourage our future generation of LCMS!
- **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY RETURNS...** honoring our friendship with Alissa, we will continue to "seamlessly" gather and study God's Word together. NEW STUDY is SEAMLESS (Understanding the Bible as One Complete Story) by Angie Smith. DATES: 6 THURSDAY nights (October 13th-November 17th), 7:15-8:45 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Childcare provided; dessert/refreshment served. Let's gather for great nourishment for mind, body, and soul! Please sign up in the narthex or contact Linda Kroeger, linda.w.kroeger@gmail.com or 281-684-9895. See you there!
- **SPOTLIGHT MINISTRY...** Following the presentation of 21 ministry groups at Zion's 1st Annual MINISTRY FAIR recently on Sept. 11th, each ministry will now be spotlighted for a few Sundays to further familiarize all with WHAT'S HAPPENING at Zion! This week in the spotlight is the BOARD OF TRUSTEES overseen by John Lemonovich. Please check out the display in the rear corner of the Sanctuary & see if the Holy Spirit leads you to be a part of that ministry!
- **STEPHEN MINISTRY** is looking forward to resuming again in the fall, providing Christ-centered care for people going through hard times. Want be a Stephen Ministry or be trained as a Stephen Minister or Stephen Leader? Contact Pastor Duncan or Kristin Neill.
- **WELCOME CENTER!** Are you a guest or visitor looking for information about Zion? Hello and welcome to Zion! Stop by the table in the foyer after the service and we'll try to help.
- **BIBLE IN A YEAR** readings are available on our church's website and in your monthly Zion Newsletter. Join us as we read the Bible in a Year in 2016!
- **CHURCH NURSERY:** Is available for kids age 0-2 during the 10:30 Service! The Nursery ("Little Lions") is open during the late service in the lower level of the building. (If you need help locating the nursery, please ask an Usher or Greeter for assistance.)
- **NEED PRAYER?** Stephen Ministers and Elders will be available to pray with or for you following the Service in the Chancel area.
- **TODAY'S GOSPEL READING AND SERMON** will be posted to the ZLCB.org website later today. For an archive of older sermons, visit www.zlcb.org/sermons

Welcome to worship!

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As we gather together this morning, we do so as the children of God. By virtue of your baptism, you are His son or daughter. He sees you as His own child. What does it mean to be a child of God, or even a child in general? It certainly means that we receive good things from our Father. Even this morning he will forgive our sins, feed us with his word, and bless us with His name. It means that he listens to us when we talk to him in prayer. He doesn't hear the evil demands of his enemy when we talk, but the voice of His own child. It means that we can trust him, just as a child trusts his father or mother for protection, safety, and every good thing.

It certainly is wonderful to be a child of God! But what about those who go astray? When a child of God rebels, says "I don't want to be your child anymore", what does God do? We'll talk about that in the sermon this morning, and we will take joy that we are, in fact, his children. May God bless you, His child, as you receive His fatherly blessings this morning!

-Vicar Joshua

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ZION EQUIPS, EDUCATES, AND ENCOURAGES BELIEVERS IN CHRIST. SENDING THEM INTO THE WORLD TO SHARE THE GOSPEL.

Zion Lutheran Church 3197 Washington Pike Bridgeville, PA 15017

The Service of the Word

(Please take a moment to fill out the Attendance books, located at either end of the pew. If you are visiting us this morning and would like to be contacted by the church, please indicate so in the Attendance Book. We are glad you chose to worship at Zion this morning!)

Prelude

Introduction to Worship and Announcements

Opening Hymn: Christ Is Our Cornerstone

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The Invocation

Vicar: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Confession of Sins

Vicar: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Vicar: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Declaration of Grace by the Vicar

Kyrie

V In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

V For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

V For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

V For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

V Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen.

Hymn of Praise

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Salutation and Collect of the Day

V The Lord be with you

C And also with you

V Let us pray. Gracious God, You gave Your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed Him. Forgive us when we reject your unfailing love, and grant us the fullness of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

First Reading:**Lamentations 5**

Remember, O Lord, what has befallen us; look, and see our disgrace!

Our inheritance has been turned over to strangers, our homes to foreigners.

We have become orphans, fatherless; our mothers are like widows.

We must pay for the water we drink; the wood we get must be bought.

Our pursuers are at our necks; we are weary; we are given no rest.

We have given the hand to Egypt, and to Assyria, to get bread enough.

Our fathers sinned, and are no more; and we bear their iniquities.

Slaves rule over us; there is none to deliver us from their hand.

We get our bread at the peril of our lives, because of the sword in the wilderness.

Our skin is hot as an oven with the burning heat of famine.

Women are raped in Zion, young women in the towns of Judah.

Princes are hung up by their hands; no respect is shown to the elders.

Young men are compelled to grind at the mill, and boys stagger under loads of wood. The old men have left the city gate, the young men their music.

The joy of our hearts has ceased; our dancing has been turned to mourning.

The crown has fallen from our head; woe to us, for we have sinned!

For this our heart has become sick, for these things our eyes have grown dim, for Mount Zion which lies desolate; jackals prowl over it.

But you, O Lord, reign forever; your throne endures to all generations.

Why do you forget us forever, why do you forsake us for so many days?

Restore us to yourself, O Lord, that we may be restored!

Renew our days as of old—unless you have utterly rejected us, and you remain exceedingly angry with us.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Second Reading:

Hebrews 12:3-17

Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted. In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons?

“My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord,
nor be weary when reproved by him.

For the Lord disciplines the one he loves,
and chastises every son whom he receives.”

It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no “root of bitterness” springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. For you know

that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent, though he sought it with tears.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Hymn: My Faith Looks Up to Thee
(10:30am Service – Adult Choir)

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Alleluia and Verse (please stand)

Alleluia

Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia

Vicar: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 2nd Chapter.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading: John 2:13-22

The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade." His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

So the Jews said to him, "What sign do you show us for doing these things?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the

temple of his body. When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn: Jesus Sinners Doth Receive (vs.1,3,5,7)

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Sermon

(Please stand)

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth
and in 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

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 worshiped and glorified,

who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

The Collection of the Offering

If you are visiting with us this morning, know that your presence here means far more to us than any gift of money you could make; please do not hesitate to let the plate pass you by.

Offertory – Just As I Am Without One Plea Song of Peace – Adult Choir 10:30 am

Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

V Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **Our Father who art in heaven,**

hallowed be Thy name,

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;

give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against

us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.

Amen.

Benedicamus

V: Let us bless the Lord

C Thanks be to God

Benediction

V The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

C **Amen.**

The Recessional: Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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Postlude

† *Service Participants* †

Pastor:	Rev. Eric Carlson
Vicar:	Joshua Ulm
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Sandra Quinlan
The Elders:	Robert Schmidt, Bill Bishop
The Acolyte:	Ava Pasquini (8:00) Augie Bishop (10:30)
The Greeters:	Megan & Brian Pasquini (8:00) Rose Steranko (10:30)
The Ushers:	Melanie & Bill Becker (8:00) Mike Kozak & Ed Malachosky Sam Dragan, Loren Luedeman (10:30) Kari & John Gresh
Altar Guild:	Marianne Miller, Millie Thielet & Judy Meier
Nursery:	Carrie Lemonovich, Stephanie & Jenna Eckels

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (10/2) -181

Wednesday Attendance (10/5) – 26

Sunday Offering (10/2) – \$4,913.00

Online Offering (9/26-9/30) - \$550.00

Hand bell Contribution – \$60.00

~Online giving is now available by going to the Zion web site: www.zlcb.org~

Week of Oct. 9th – Oct. 16th

<p>SUNDAY 10/9 Food Bank Collection</p>	<p>8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM – Worship 11:45 AM – Children’s Choir 11:45 AM – Board of Education Meeting 12:15 PM – Stephen Ministry Meeting</p>
<p>MONDAY 10/10</p>	<p>7:00 PM – Confirmation</p>
<p>TUESDAY 10/11</p>	<p>7:00 PM – Choir Practice</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY 10/12</p>	<p>7:00 PM – Service of Prayer & Preaching & Small Group Bible Study (Psalms Study)</p>
<p>THURSDAY 10/13</p>	<p>10:00 AM – Bible Study 7:15 AM – Women’s Bible Study 7:30 PM – Council Meeting</p>
<p>FRIDAY 10/14</p>	
<p>SATURDAY 10/15</p>	<p>8:00 AM – Men’s Bible Breakfast</p>
<p>SUNDAY 10/16</p>	<p>8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion 11:45 AM – Children’s Choir</p>

Middle School Youth Upcoming Event

Pumpkin Chicken Bowling

Middle School

Who? Anyone 6-8th Grade
When? Sat. Oct. 29th
Where? Soccer Fields next to Zion Lutheran Church
Address? 3197 Washington Pike
Time? 6-8pm
Food? Yes - Pizza!
Cost? \$0



Contact Info:

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Mark your Calendars for Zion's First
Trunk or Treat!

Kids all ages are welcome!

Dress up and get candy! It doesn't
get any better than that!

When: Saturday October 29th At 5:30pm

What: People decorate their cars/trunks and pass out candy to
kids

Where: Zion Lutheran Church Parking Lot



For More Information Contact: Mary Ulm at marygraceulm@gmail.com or
Call/Text: 314-303-2103



Upcoming Music Concert Event!

Everyone is invited to attend a Concert to Celebrate the 499th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation.

- *A Concert to Celebrate the 499th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation*
- *Sunday, October 30, 2016, 1:00 pm*
- *All are invited to wear Red!*
- *Zion Lutheran Church
3197 Washington Pike
Bridgeville, PA 15017*
- *Refreshments immediately following in the undercroft*
- *A freewill offering will be taken to benefit the Zion Handbell Fund*

*Assistant Organist Doug Krantz, Alto Mary Ulm, Pianist Shelley Killinger, as well as the adult and children's choirs under the direction of Mark Killinger, will perform a concert of **joyful** sacred music to celebrate the event. Mr. Krantz will also perform selections on the piano, accordion, and pennywhistle.*

Our Preschool Wish List

Looking for a way to help our school
but don't know how...

Simply take a crayon with a “wish list”
item, purchase the item and drop it off
at the school or give to Tracey Harris.

The Wish List is in the back of
church...check it out on your way out
and make a wish come true!!

