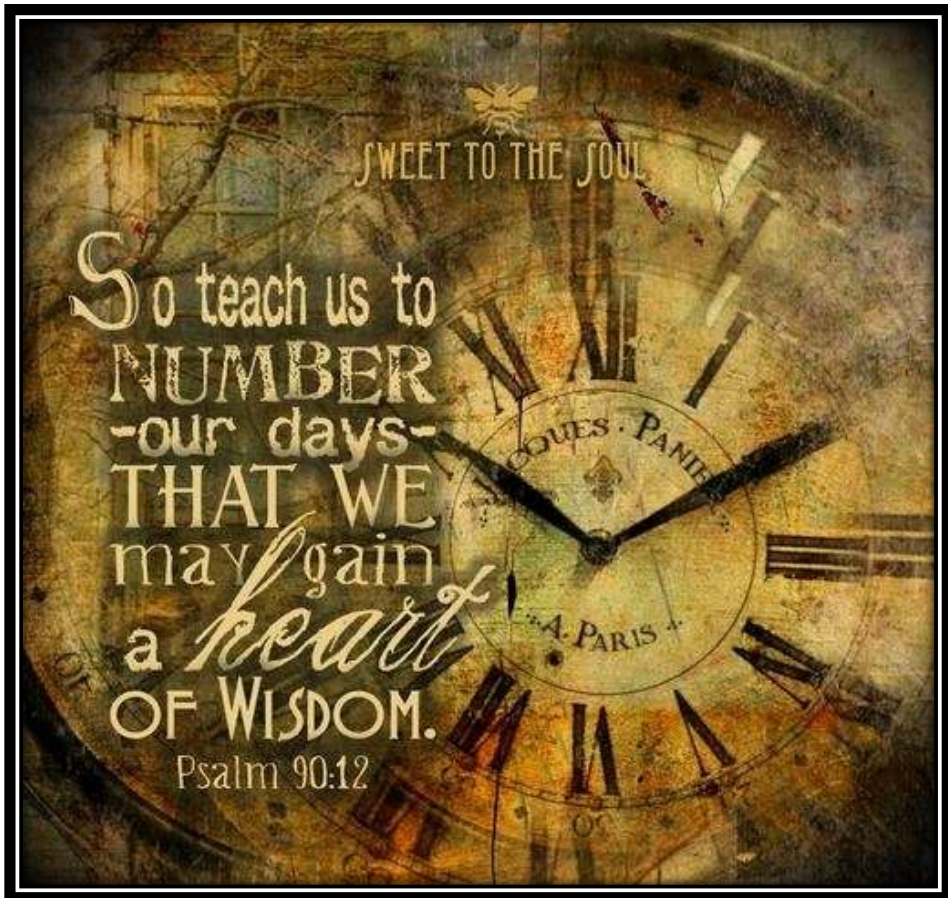


# Zion Lutheran Church



Service of Prayer and  
Preaching  
October 19<sup>th</sup> 2016



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TRUNK OR TREAT** Calling all ADULTS and CHILDREN! Saturday October 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 we will be having our first “Trunk or Treat”. What is a Trunk or Treat? Adults decorate their trunks and pass out candy to the kids and the kids dress up in costumes and walk from trunk to trunk to get the candy. Safe fun for the whole family! Cider and donuts will be provided!

**VOTER’S MEETING:** A meeting of the Voters' Assembly will be held starting at 9:30 am on Sunday October 30<sup>th</sup>. 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 30<sup>th</sup>.

**MEN’S RETREAT**...Last call for any Men that are interested in joining us on the Men’s Retreat. We are heading to Camp Pioneer the weekend of Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$170 (assistance available if needed). This will be a great weekend of fellowship! Contact the vicar with any questions or if you plan on attending. (vicar@zlcb.org)

**TRUSTEE CLEAN-UP DAY** will be on Sunday Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> following the late service. Pizza and drinks will be provided before we head outside to do some fall clean-up around the church! Please mark your calendars and come out and help for as little or as much time as you can!

# Welcome to worship!

The Psalm selected for our meditation this evening spends much of its length on the subject of time. The early verses establish God's presence at the beginning of time. He has been faithful since before time began. Before the mountains were formed He was God. In the middle of the Psalm, God is shown to have power over time. Time is insignificant to Him as he carries out his plan of salvation. The middle verses of the Psalm also show our relation to time as human beings. It isn't a pretty picture. The Psalmist shows just how short the span of a man's life is, and just how insignificant the period of time that we "get" is to God.

At the end of the Psalm, everything is turned back to God. The despair created by God's anger over sin is turned into a faithful plea for mercy. In our sermon tonight we will look at the author of this Psalm (Moses!), the concept of time laid out in this Psalm, the problem that is time combined with God's anger over sin, and the answer the Psalm gives.

May God bless you as you hear His Word!

-Vicar Joshua

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# The Service of Prayer and Preaching

Vicar: The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and peace at the last

**People: Amen.**

Vicar: It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praise to Your name, O Most High.

**People: To herald Your love in the morning, Your truth at the close of the day.**

*Psalm 92:1*

**All: *Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.***

## **First Reading: Hebrews 3:1-6**

Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house, if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

## **Second Reading: Psalm 90**

Lord, you have been our dwelling place  
in all generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth,  
or ever you had formed the earth and the world,  
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

You return man to dust  
and say, "Return, O children of man!"  
For a thousand years in your sight  
are but as yesterday when it is past,  
or as a watch in the night.  
You sweep them away as with a flood; they are like a dream,  
like grass that is renewed in the morning;  
in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;  
in the evening it fades and withers.  
For we are brought to an end by your anger;  
by your wrath we are dismayed.  
You have set our iniquities before you,  
our secret sins in the light of your presence.  
For all our days pass away under your wrath;  
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.  
The years of our life are seventy,  
or even by reason of strength eighty;  
yet their span is but toil and trouble;  
they are soon gone, and we fly away.  
Who considers the power of your anger,  
and your wrath according to the fear of you?  
So teach us to number our days  
that we may get a heart of wisdom.  
Return, O Lord! How long?  
Have pity on your servants!  
Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,  
that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.  
Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us,

and for as many years as we have seen evil.  
Let your work be shown to your servants,  
and your glorious power to their children.  
Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,  
and establish the work of our hands upon us;  
yes, establish the work of our hands!

## ***Message***

(Please stand)

### ***The Apostles' Creed***

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
    who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,  
    suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.  
    He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.  
    He ascended into heaven  
    and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
    From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
    the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,  
    the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
    and the life everlasting. Amen.

## ***The Prayers***

Vicar: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints,  
and give thanks to his holy name *Psalm 30:4*

**People: Gracious God, we give you thanks for your great glory.**

Vicar: Oh, how abundant is your goodness,  
which you have stored up for those who fear you  
and worked for those who take refuge in you,  
in the sight of the children of mankind! *Psalm 31:9*

**People: We thank you for your work on behalf of your people**

Vicar: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;  
I will sing praise to my God while I have being. *Psalm 104:33*

**People: Accept our praise and thanksgiving, O God of our salvation**

Vicar: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,  
whose sin is covered. *Psalm 32:1*

**People: Thank you for covering our sins with the blood of Jesus**

Vicar: Teach me your way, O Lord,  
that I may walk in your truth;  
unite my heart to fear your name. *Psalm 86:11*

**People: Instruct us with your Word, o God.**

Vicar: Rise up; come to our help!  
Redeem us for the sake of your steadfast love! *Psalm 44:26*

**People: When trouble comes, be our helper in time of need**

Vicar: [The Lord] heals the brokenhearted  
and binds up their wounds. *Psalm 147:3*

**People: Grant healing of body and soul to those we love**

Vicar: Arise, O Lord; O God, lift up your hand;  
forget not the afflicted. *Psalm 10:12*

**People: Come to the aid of the needy and the oppressed, o God.**

Vicar: God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present help in trouble *Psalm 46:1*

**People: Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,  
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea. *Psalm 46:2***

Vicar: "Be still, and know that I am God.  
I will be exalted among the nations,  
I will be exalted in the earth!" *Psalm 46:10*

**People: The Lord of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our fortress. *Psalm 46:11***

Vicar: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:  
**All: *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***

*Matthew 6:9-13*

***The Benediction***

Vicar: The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make His face  
shine upon us and be gracious to us. The Lord lift up His  
countenance upon us and give us peace.

*Numbers 6:24-26*

**People: Amen.**