

Zion Lutheran Church



Lord,
how often will
my brother
sin against me, and
I forgive him?

Matthew 18:21



September 17th 2017
15th Sunday after Pentecost

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Judy Dames in Memory of Loved Ones.

THIS WEEK'S FAVORITE BIBLE VERSE...is from MARTIN LUTHER. Romans 1:17 NIV For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed – a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: “The righteous will live by faith.”

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday Sept. 10th is the first day of Sunday School! Complete registration and photo consent forms for all children ages 3 through 8th grade. All Sunday school families are asked to make 2 volunteer selections. Forms are located in the highlight corner at the back of the sanctuary. Email questions to sundayschool@gmail.com.

NEXT SUNDAY!!! All are invited to ZION's 2nd ANNUAL MINISTRY FAIR, “A Mighty Fortress”...**Sunday September 24th** in the fellowship Hall between services. Expect good FOOD, great FUN, lively FELLOWSHIP, and FALL WEATHER!

THE 2017 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM “And It Came to Pass” is **Sunday, December 10 at 1 PM** in the Sanctuary. Lunch will be served following second service and prior to the program. The program will feature a Jesse Tree with ornaments that symbolize an ancestor or prophecy which foretold the coming of the Messiah. Come, Lord Jesus! **SAVE THE DATE!**

SESSION TWO TAKEAWAYS from Women's Bible Study on Peter: A disciple's primary purpose is to proclaim the Gospel.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR for the upcoming 500th Anniversary Reformation Celebration at Zion! We are having a celebration on Sunday October 29th!

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.

STAY CONNECTED with all that is going on at church. If your address, phone number or email address change please let the secretaries know at secretary@zlc.org

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

Opening Hymn – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty 790

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P 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.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C 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.

P 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.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

P Deliver me from my enemies, | O LORD!*
I have fled to you for | refuge!

C Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for | mercy!*

In your faithfulness answer me, in your | righteousness!

Enter not into judgment with your | servant,*

for no one living is righteous be- | fore you.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

P Deliver me from my enemies, | O LORD!*

I have fled to you for | refuge!

Kyrie



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

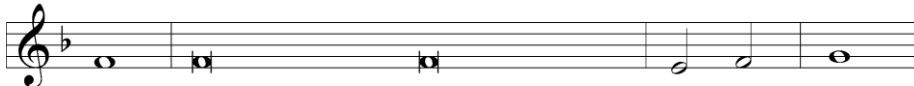


on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis



P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



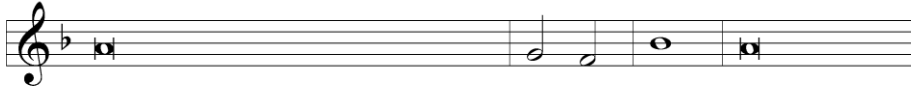
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



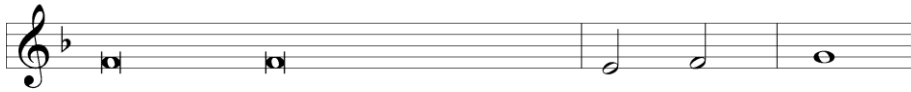
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Let us pray.

O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your Church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading – Genesis 50:15-21

When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died, 'Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.' And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle – Romans 14:1-12

As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand.

One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; for it is written,

“As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall confess to God.”

So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia



Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighteenth chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

Peter came up and said to [Jesus], “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?”

Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.

“Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I

had mercy on you?’ And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

C **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
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.

Sermon Hymn – Come Down, O Love Divine

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Sermon

Offertory

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

Prayer of the Church

P ...Lord in your mercy

C ...hear our prayer

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. Please stop by the welcome desk on your way out of church this morning.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

C **It is meet and right so to do.**

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

- 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.

Pax Domini



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

Agnus Dei



C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the

world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
 tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
 world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Sharing of Peace

Distribution

We welcome to the Lord's Table all who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God, can examine themselves spiritually and believe they receive the true body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and as a profession of their faith. If you hold a profession of faith that differs from that of our congregation, please speak to the Pastor before the start of the service before communing.

We believe the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine.

We believe Christ offers the forgiveness of sins in the Lord's Supper, but that the Lord's Supper is not necessary for salvation.

We believe the Lord's Supper remembers the death of Christ and proclaims his death until he returns.

We believe the Lord's Supper is a statement of unity in the body of Christ; we do not believe it creates that unity.

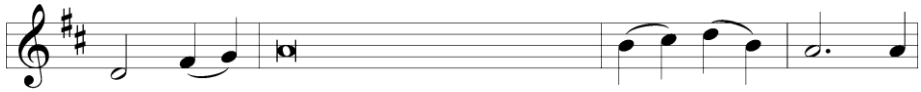
During the distribution, you are encouraged to sing the Distribution Hymns, pray, or meditate on the words "this is my body... this is my blood, given for you."

The cups at the center of the Individual Communion tray contain diluted wine for those with alcohol sensitivities.

Distribution Hymns

Jesus Loves Me! This I Know	588
On Eagles Wings	727
Holy Spirit, Light Divine	496

Nunc Dimittis



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

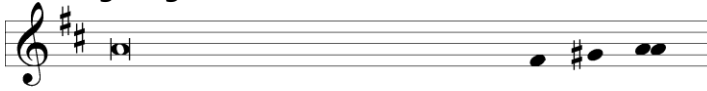


to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

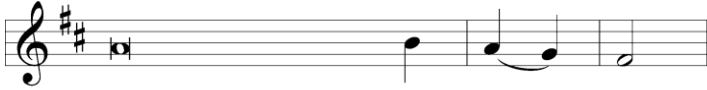


is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

Thanksgiving



A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



G and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

Salutation



P The Lord be with you.



G And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus



A Bless we the Lord.



G Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P "The Lord..."



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Closing Hymn – In Thee is Gladness

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Acknowledgments

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Prayer Request for Family & Friends

The Church:

-For our homebound members: Tom Bicusky, Ruth Miller, George and Florence Boehme, Lois Dittmer, Norm and Helen Erbrecht, Dorothy Smelko, Irene Bourg, and Don Jones.

-Healing for: Janet Hickey, Jack Oelschlager, Florence Boehme, Gloria Godfrey, Marian Siek, Sarah & Michael Erbrecht, Gladys Cimarolli, Joyce Wood, Roxanne Burgh, Henry Dittmer, Cletus Kroeger, Ruth Miller, Lois Klemash, Nancy Spotti, Bob Rondinelli, Aly Mance, Robin Dunbar, Reggie Ford, Deana Thielet, Bill Koester, Nancy Koester, Bruce Klemash, Dave Hutula, Ron Lyons, Vince Miller, Beatrice Decker, Ryan McCaffrey, and Bonnie Lewis.

-For our missionaries, especially Pastor Wokoma.

-For all who care for loved ones with illnesses.

-For the ministry of Zion Lutheran Preschool.

The World:

-For an end to abortion and human trafficking.

-For the youth in our community.

Our Nation:

-For our leaders and government officials.

-For those in foster care and those looking to adopt.

-For the disabled, unborn and aged.

-For those whose work it is to protect us.

-For those affected by the recent hurricanes.

- For godly care of the earth.

† *Service Participants* †

Pastor:	Rev. Edward Grimenstein
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Doug Krantz
The Elders:	Robb Oelschlager & Shane Bryant
The Acolyte:	Ava Pasquini(8:00) John Garrubba (10:30)
The Greeters:	Wayne & Barb Oechslein (8:00) Carolyn Wible (10:30)
The Ushers:	Kathleen Conn, Bill Schrag (8:00) Janet & Larry Zreliak Kari & John Gresh (10:30) Michael Kozak & Bill Koester
Altar Guild:	Diana Schmidt, Megan Pasquini & Barb Oechslein
Nursery:	Nell Wilson & Brittany Dill

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (9/10) – 176

Midweek Service Attendance (9/13) – 14

Sunday Offering (9/10) - \$3,921.50

Online Offering (9/4-9/8) - \$1,359.00

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

Week of Sept. 17th - Sept. 24th

SUNDAY 9/17	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Adult Bible Study and Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion
MONDAY 9/18	6:00 PM – First Year Confirmation Class 7:00 PM – Second Year Confirmation Class
TUESDAY 9/19	6:15 PM – Bell Choir (Grace) 7:00 PM – Adult Choir Practice 8:15 PM – Bell Choir (Faith)
WEDNESDAY 9/20	7:00 PM – Midweek Service and Bible Study
THURSDAY 9/21	10:00 AM – Bible Study
FRIDAY 9/22	
SATURDAY 9/23	8:00 AM – Men’s Bible Breakfast 9:30 AM – Men’s Choir Practice
SUNDAY 9/24	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Ministry Fair 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion 11:45 AM – Stephen Ministry Meeting



“As LCMS World Relief and Human Care and its LCMS Disaster Response now answer the call for two hurricanes, it’s important that the kindness being expressed across the Synod continues in the aftermath of these catastrophes. LCMS Disaster Response, in the stead of a multitude of sacrificial donors who are determined to make a difference in the lives of those who are genuinely suffering, is committed to supporting affected districts and their church communities while also building on their capacity not only in responding to a congregation’s needs, but also in extending Christ’s mercy by providing body-and-soul care to individuals and entire communities.”

— REV. DR. ROSS JOHNSON, LCMS DISASTER RESPONSE DIRECTOR

To Give:

- **Online** — Visit lcms.org/harvey and lcms.org/irma.
- **By text** — Text “LCMSHARVEY” or “LCMSIRMA” to 41444.
- **Over the phone** — Call the LCMS toll-free gift line between 8 a.m. and 4:10 p.m. Central time at 888-930-4438 or the LCMS Church Information Center at 888-843-5267.
- **By mail** — Make checks payable to “The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod” (or “LCMS”). On the memo line, write “Disaster Response/Relief,” and mail to the LCMS, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO, 63166-6861. Gifts also can be designated specifically for Hurricane Harvey and/or affected areas by stipulating in the memo line.

Gifts are tax-deductible as allowed by law. Additional information about our LCMS response, and the impact your gifts are having, will be available over the weeks and months ahead at lcms.org, on the Synod’s social-media outlets, and in our official periodicals and publications.

Prayer:

For all who have been devastated by Hurricane Irma and for those still in danger; for those who have lost loved ones, home or employment; for those who will respond in the Caribbean and Florida and for those who continue to respond to the wildfires in the West and to those impacted by Hurricane Harvey in Texas and Louisiana; for all hearts that are weary and discouraged, that they may find good courage and hope in what never passes away, the love we have been given in Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**



TOP TEN REASONS TO ATTEND ZION'S 2nd MINISTRY FAIR

“A Mighty Fortress” SUNDAY, September 24 (9 AM- 10:15 AM)

10. Pastor Grimenstein will be manning a booth...or two.
Come chat!
9. 21 booths... 21 ministries!
8. One word...castles.
7. Free giveaways...enough said.
6. Put names, faces and titles together!
5. Answer that age-old question: “Just exactly what is going on around here?”
4. Two words...Martin Luther.
3. HOT BREAKFAST served....don't miss the deliciousness.
2. 500-Year Anniversary of the Reformation!
And the Number One reason to attend A MIGHTY FORTRESS...

It's a Lutheran Thing!



2017 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

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