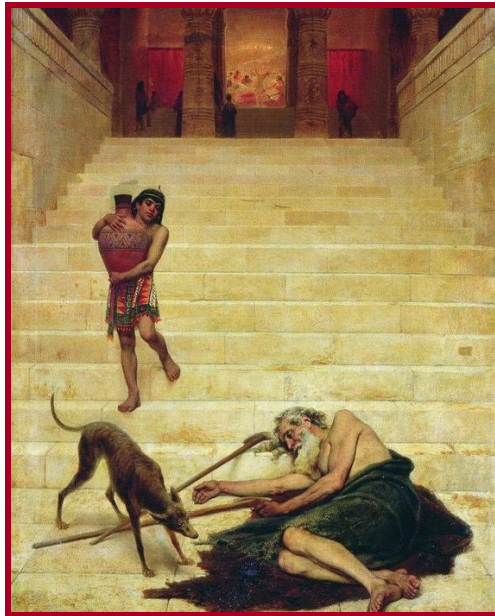


Zion Lutheran Church



September 25th, 2022
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church & Preschool!

Thank you for joining us in worship of the Lord. We would love to get to know you, and for you to learn more about our church family at Zion. Please stop by our welcome table as you leave worship. We cordially invite you to talk with Pastor Grimenstein, our Elders, or any of our church members to learn more about our fellowship. At our website -- **zlcg.org** -- you can find out more about the many worship, Christian education, and fellowship opportunities at Zion.

Communion Statement

We believe that in the Lord's Supper, Christ's physical body and blood are present in the bread and wine (1 Cor. 11:23-25). We also believe receiving the Lord's Supper is an act of church fellowship. Scripture cautions that those who receive without recognizing Christ's body and blood will bring judgment upon themselves (1 Cor. 11:27-29). Therefore, out of love to our guests, we invite to our altar to receive the Lord's Supper those who are baptized, confirmed, repentant members of Lutheran Church -- Missouri Synod congregations or sister congregations. If you are visiting us today from another Christian denomination, we welcome you to come to the altar to receive a baptismal blessing. Please signify by crossing your arms over your chest upon kneeling.

In preparation to receive the Lord's Supper in a worthy manner please consider reading "Christian Questions with their Answers" on Page 329-330. If you are interested in exploring membership, please talk with Pastor Grimenstein or call the church office.

Our Worship

Our worship services are based on traditional church liturgies in which God speaks to us in His Word and we respond to Him. These liturgies were used by the early church almost 2000 years ago and are rich in scriptural meaning, connecting us to our past -- and future -- in Christ Jesus. There is a depth to Lutheran worship that can take time to appreciate, thus you may find that you don't understand everything that is happening the first week you visit. That's OK, we encourage you to keep visiting!

Opening Hymn – All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name

#549



1 All hail the pow’r of Je - sus’ name! Let an - gels pros-trate fall;
2 Crown Him, ye mar-tyrs of our God, Who from His al - tar call;
3 Ye seed of Is - rael’s cho - sen race, Ye ran - somed from the fall,
4 Hail Him, ye heirs of Da-vid’s line, Whom Da - vid Lord did call,



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of all.
Ex - tol the stem of Jes - se’s rod And crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.
The God in - car-nate, man di - vine, And crown Him Lord of all.



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5 Sinners, whose love can ne’er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
Go, spread your trophies at His feet
And crown Him Lord of all.
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And crown Him Lord of all.

6 Let ev’ry kindred, ev’ry tribe,
On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all.
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And crown Him Lord of all.

7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall!
We’ll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all.
We’ll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all.

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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 – Psalm 119:73–75, 77; antiphon: v. 76



P Let your steadfast love | comfort me
according to your promise to your | servant.

C **Your hands have made and | fashioned me;
give me understanding that I may learn your com- | mandments.**

Those who fear you shall see me | and rejoice,
because I have hoped | in your word.

I know, O LORD, that your just decrees are | righteous,
and that in faithfulness you have af- | flicted me.

Let your mercy come to me, that | I may live;
for your law is | my delight.

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 Let your steadfast love | comfort me
according to your promise to your | servant.

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

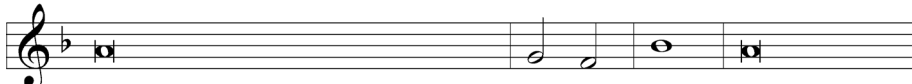
P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,




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



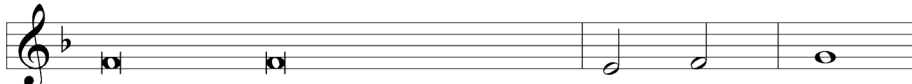
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



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.



G And with thy spir-it.

P Let us pray.

O God, You are the strength of all who trust in You, and without Your aid we can do no good thing. Grant us the help of Your grace that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading – Amos 6:1–7

“Woe to those who are at ease in Zion,
and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria,
the notable men of the first of the nations,
to whom the house of Israel comes!

Pass over to Calneh, and see,
and from there go to Hamath the great;
then go down to Gath of the Philistines.

Are you better than these kingdoms?

Or is their territory greater than your territory,
O you who put far away the day of disaster
and bring near the seat of violence?

“Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory
and stretch themselves out on their couches,
and eat lambs from the flock
and calves from the midst of the stall,
who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp
and like David invent for themselves instruments of music,
who drink wine in bowls
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile,
and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading – 1 Timothy 6:6–19

Now there is great gain in godliness with contentment, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is

through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at

his side. And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house— for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'"

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

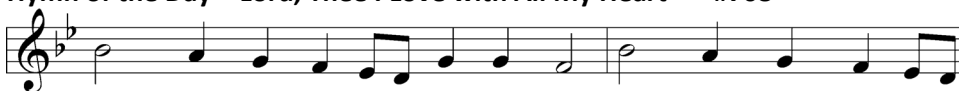
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.

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.

Hymn of the Day – Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart #708



1 Lord, Thee I love with all my heart; I pray Thee, ne'er from
2 Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich boun-ty gave My bod - y, soul, and
3 Lord, let at last Thine an - gels come, To A - br'ham's bos - om



me de - part, With ten - der mer - cy cheer me. Earth
all I have In this poor life of la - bor. Lord,
bear me home, That I may die un - fear - ing; And



has no plea - sure I would share. Yea, heav'n it - self were
grant that I in ev - 'ry place May glo - ri - fy Thy
in its nar - row cham - ber keep My bod - y safe in



void and bare If Thou, Lord, wert not near me. And should my
lav - ish grace And help and serve my neigh - bor. Let no false
peace-ful sleep Un - til Thy re - ap - pear - ing. And then from



heart for sor - row break, My trust in Thee can noth - ing shake.
doc - trine me be - guile; Let Sa - tan not my soul de - file.
death a - wak - en me, That these mine eyes with joy may see,



Thou art the por - tion I have sought; Thy pre - cious
Give strength and pa - tience un - to me To bear my
O Son of God, Thy glo - rious face, My Sav - ior



blood my soul has bought. Lord Je - sus Christ, my God and
cross and fol - low Thee. Lord Je - sus Christ, my God and
and my fount of grace. Lord Je - sus Christ, my prayer at -



Lord, my God and Lord, For - sake me not! I trust Thy Word.
Lord, my God and Lord, In death Thy com - fort still af - ford.
tend, my prayer at - tend, And I will praise Thee with - out end.

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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.

Offering plates are located on the tables at the main and side entrances to the sanctuary.

Prayer of the Church

P ... Lord in your mercy.

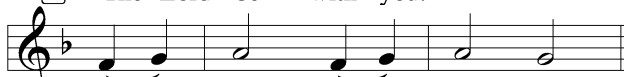
C ... Hear our prayer.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface



P The Lord be with you.



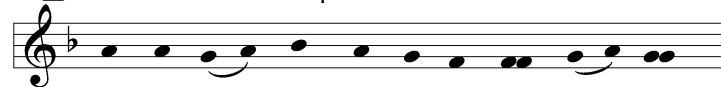
C And with thy spir - it.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks un - to 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, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. 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.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini



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



☐ A - men.

Agnus Dei



☐ 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.

Distribution

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Distribution Hymns

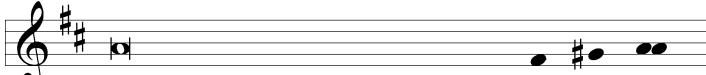
O God, My Faithful God	#696
Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense	#741
Oh, What Their Joy	#675

Nunc Dimittis

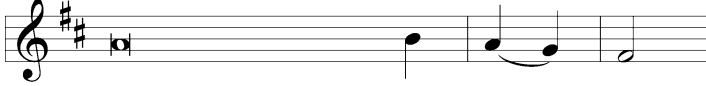


Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Thanksgiving



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



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P 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.

C Amen.



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus

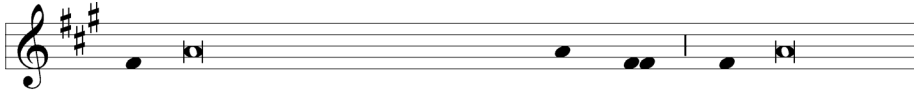


A Bless we the Lord.

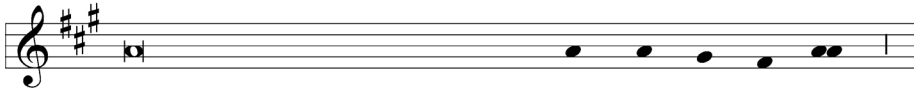


C Thanks be to God.

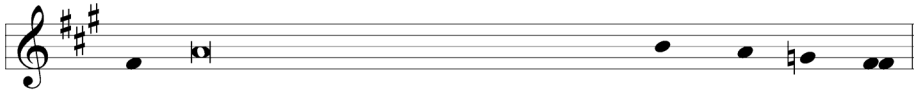
Benediction



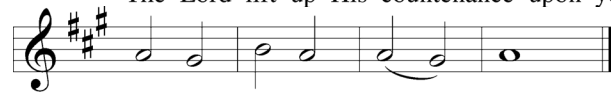
P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



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



Closing Hymn – How Great Thou Art

#801



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der Con - sid - er
 2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the
 3 But when I think that God, His Son not spar - ing, Sent Him to
 4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me



all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might - y
 birds sing sweet - ly in the trees; When I look down from loft - y moun - tain
 die, I scarce can take it in— That on the cross my bur - den glad - ly
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played;
 gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;
 bear - ing He bled and died to take a - way my sin;
 ra - tion And there pro - claim: "My God, how great Thou art!"

Refrain



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to Thee, How great Thou



art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

Prayer Requests for Family & Friends

The Church:

-**For our homebound members:** Tom Bicusky, Florence Boehme, Lois Dittmer, Joan Cisko, Dottie Heslop, Gladys Cimarolli, Ron Valentino, Ted & Marian Siek.

-**Healing for:** Rose Steranko, Tom Carthy, Jacque Oelschlager, Bernice DeBoe, Salina Howcroft, Millie Thielet, Jen Fitzgerald, Barbara & Kara Koski, Barb Fisher, Dale Hesse, Mike Wallace, Darrell Molinari, Jennifer Meyer, Joanne Garloff, Neil Ackerman, Richard Hultman, Rita Sheldon, Dennis Finney, Pastor Bob McCanless, Grant German, Eva Bukovitz, Al & Carol Riske, Kami Snow, Judy Graziano, Alyssa Mance, Shannon Mance, Dave Hutula, and Mabel Granke.

-**For our missions/missionaries,** especially Rev. Phil & Deaconess Rachel Jaseph and The Siberian Lutheran Mission Society.

-For the ministry of Zion Lutheran Sunday School and Preschool.

The World:

-For peace in Ukraine.

-For an end to the pandemic, and for the safety of all who are fighting it.

-For an end to abortion and human trafficking.

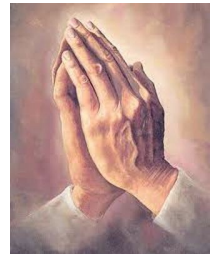
-For the youth in our community.

Our Nation:

-For our leaders and government officials.

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

-For the disabled, unborn and aged.



† Service Participants †

Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Edward Grimenstein
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
Organist:	Sandy Quinlan
The Elders:	Bill Bishop, Bob Schmidt
The Acolyte:	Lindsay Liberatore (8:00) Johnny Lemonovich (10:30)
The Ushers:	Tim Sheldon, Janet & Larry Zreliak, Joshua Grimenstein (8:00) Bob Bonacci, Aaron & Mike Kozak, Chuck LaJeunesse (10:30)
Altar Guild:	Barb Oechslein, Megan Pasquini, Diana Schmidt

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by the Klemash family in celebration of Andrew & Mary Beth's anniversary; and by the Oelschlager family in celebration of Matthew's birthday.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Judith Dames in memory of loved ones.

PARENTS ... Children's activity pages are available in the baskets at both church entrances. They reinforce the themes for that week's worship service in a kid-friendly format. Use them during church or take them home to use later! If your young child becomes fussy during Worship, a Nursery Room for children 3 and under is available in the lower level near the Fellowship Hall (Room 101). Parent supervision is required.



Our New Sunday School season began with Rally Day. Join us each week for Children's classes (ages 3 through 6th grade) at 9:15 in the school wing; Bible Study for Adults and Teens begins at 9:15 in the Fellowship Hall.



Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (9/18) – 59 (8 am); 112 (10:30 am)

Mid-Week Service (9/21) – (2 pm)

Sunday Plate Offerings (9/18) – \$3207 Online Offering – \$1865

Online giving is available on Zion's website at www.zlcb.org/donate

This Week at Zion

SUN 9/25	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study & Children's Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship
MON 9/26	No Confirmation 6:15 PM – Grace Bells 7:15 PM – Choir 8:15 PM – Faith Bells
TUE 9/27	
WED 9/28	No Service
THU 9/29	
FRI 9/30	
SAT 10/1	
SUN 10/2	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study & Children's Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship

Pastor away
at LCMS
Eastern
District
Convention



10K Lutheran Life Bike Ride

Join Lutherans from local LCMS churches on the 3 River's Heritage Trail from the Hot Metal Bridge to Station Square on Oct. 15th at 9:30 am (rain date Oct. 22nd at 9:30 am). Members from Ascension, First Trinity, Peace, Redeemer & Zion Lutheran churches are raising funds for Mary's Place of the South Hills, a Christian maternity home for pregnant and parenting women in need. All funds raised will be matched by the Synod's Million Dollar Life Grant program. Registration is \$5/ind; \$10/fam. Sign up sheet located in the Narthex under the bulletin board. Contact Joy Berardelli for more information to sponsor riders: JoyBerardelli@yahoo.com or 724-601-5057 (cell). Donations can also be forwarded to Peace Lutheran Church, 107 Carol Dr., McMurray, PA 15317. Checks made out to Peace Service Team, memo line: 10K Ride.

Good Samaritan Hospice, a subsidiary of Concordia Lutheran Ministries, will hold a Youth Bereavement workshop for children and teens (and their caregivers). This free, fall-themed event was developed to help young people manage the death of a loved one.

When: Saturday, Oct. 15 from 1-5 pm

Where: The Mansion in Butler, 141 Mansion Ln,
Butler, PA

RSVP: 1-800-720-2557, ext. 4426



Volunteers are needed! Please call the number above if you are interested.



This Week in Zion Sunday School

A recap of today's SS teaching for parents & students

BIBLE VERSE

The LORD has done great things for us;
we are glad.

Psalm 126:3

SCRIPTURE SNAPSHOT

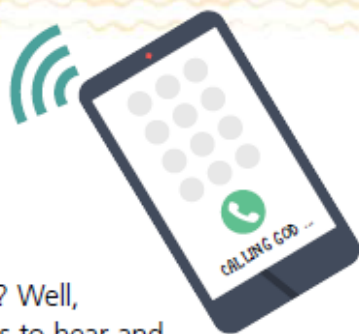
The Lord and two angels appear to Abraham in human form, promising the birth of a son to Abraham and Sarah within the year. Sarah conceives and gives birth to Isaac, as the Lord fulfills His promise of generations to come and the promised future Offspring—the Savior, Jesus.

TAKING IT HOME

- ▶ *On the Go*—Why did Sarah think she would not be able to have a baby? Is anything impossible with God? Why or why not?
- ▶ *At Meal Time*—The meal Abraham shared with his guests reminds us of a special meal God's people share when we worship Him. What is this meal called? What gifts does God give us through this meal?
- ▶ *Something to Do*—Abraham and Sarah lived in a tent. Much later, God dwelt among His people in a tabernacle tent. Search online to find out if any groups of people still live in tents.
- ▶ *Before Bed*—In today's Biblical account, God sent visitors to Abraham and Sarah to tell them that they would have a son. They also learned that God comes to us in special ways. In what special ways does God come to you?

The
Lord
has done
great
things
for us;
We are
Glad.
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KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE



What is “prayer”?

Have you ever wanted to talk to God? Well, guess what ... you can! God promises to hear and answer us when we pray. Because we want to concentrate on what we are praying and who we are praying to, we may close our eyes, fold our hands and bow our heads so that we are not distracted by the things around us. You don't have to do all that, though. You can pray anywhere and at anytime.

What should we pray for?

We not only ask God for what we need, but we praise and thank Him for what He has already given us. If you want to, you can pray to God just to talk to him. We pray especially that God would keep us strong in our faith, and that He might bring others to faith too.

Are there different types of prayer?

There are many different types of prayer. Much of our worship is prayers, including the Confession, the Agnus Dei, and the Post-Communion Canticle. You can find prayers for different times and needs on pages 305–18 in *Lutheran Service Book*.



Parents: Direct your child to the different prayers in our worship. (For example The Prayer of the Church) Turn to pages 327 in *Lutheran Service Book*. Read through Luther's Morning and Evening Prayers. Try using them at home with your children when they wake up in the morning and before they go to bed at night.

