Zion Lutheran Church



August 14th, 2022 Tenth 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 -- **zlcb.org** – you can find out more about the many worship, Christian education, and fellowship opportunities at Zion.

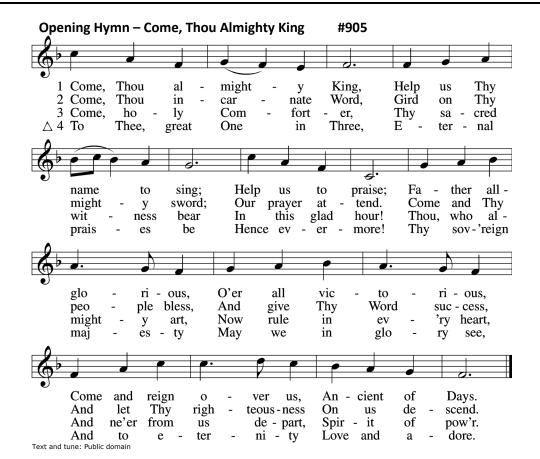
Communion Statement

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!



- In the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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.

- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 🕂 Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

The Service of the Word

Introit -- Psalm 55:1, 12-14, 16; antiphon: v. 22



- P Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sus- | tain you;
- he will never permit the righteous to | be moved. Give ear to my prayer, | O God,
 - and hide not yourself from my plea for | mercy!

For it is not an enemy who taunts me—then I could | bear it;

it is not an adversary who deals insolently with me—then I could | hide from him.

But it is you, a man, my | equal,

my companion, my fa- | miliar friend.

We used to take sweet counsel to- | gether;

within God's house we walked | in the throng.

But I | call to God,

and the LORD will | save me.

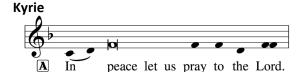
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son

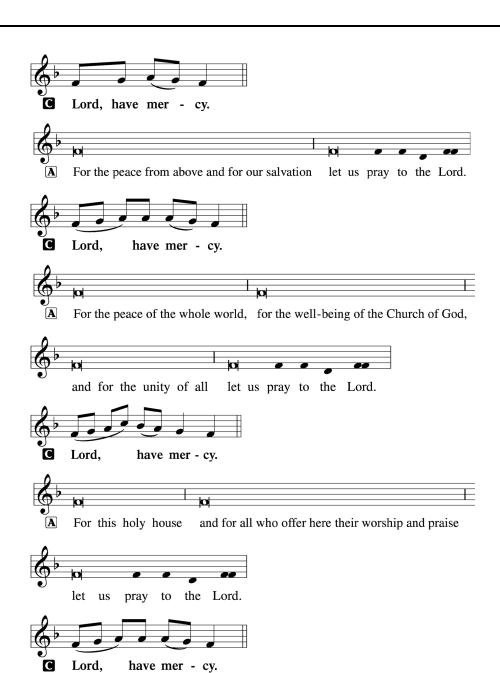
and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

P Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sus- | tain you; he will never permit the righteous to | be moved.







A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra-cious Lord.

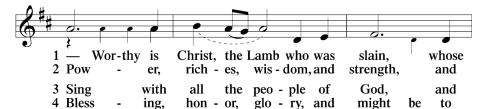




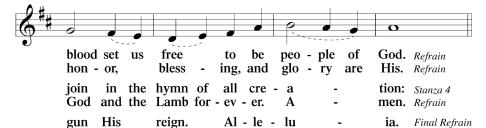




Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.



5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -







Salutation and Collect of the Day



al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

C And

Merciful Lord, cleanse and defend Your Church by the sacrifice of Christ. United with Him in Holy Baptism, give us grace to receive with thanksgiving the fruits of His redeeming work and daily follow in His way; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading – Jeremiah 23:16–29

Thus says the LORD of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, 'It shall be well with you'; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, 'No disaster shall come upon you.'"

For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD to see and to hear his word,

or who has paid attention to his word and listened?

Behold, the storm of the LORD!

Wrath has gone forth,
a whirling tempest;
it will burst upon the head of the wicked.

The anger of the LORD will not turn back
until he has executed and accomplished
the intents of his heart.

In the latter days you will understand it clearly.

"I did not send the prophets,

yet they ran;
I did not speak to them,
yet they prophesied.
But if they had stood in my council,
then they would have proclaimed my words to my people,
and they would have turned them from their evil way,
and from the evil of their deeds.

"Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God afar off? Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD. Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?"

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading - Hebrews 11:17-31; 12:1-3

By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back. By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of

the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones.

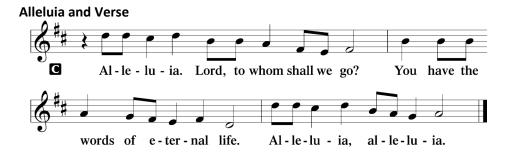
By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them.

By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

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Holy Gospel

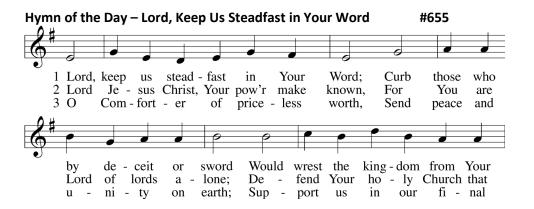
P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.



[Jesus said:] "I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you say at once, 'A shower is coming.' And so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"







Sermon

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.

Prayer of the Church

P ... Let us pray to the Lord.

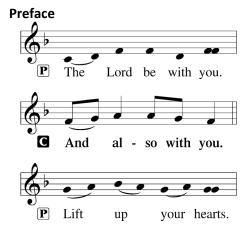
C ... Lord have mercy.

Gathering of Offerings

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

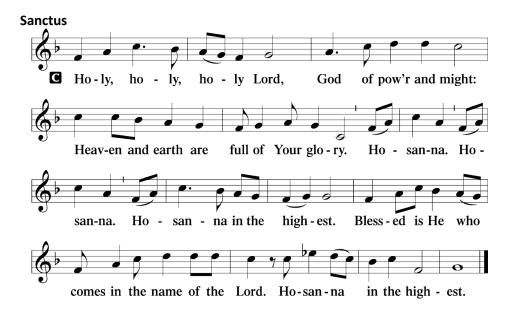


Service of the Sacrament





It is truly good, 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:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

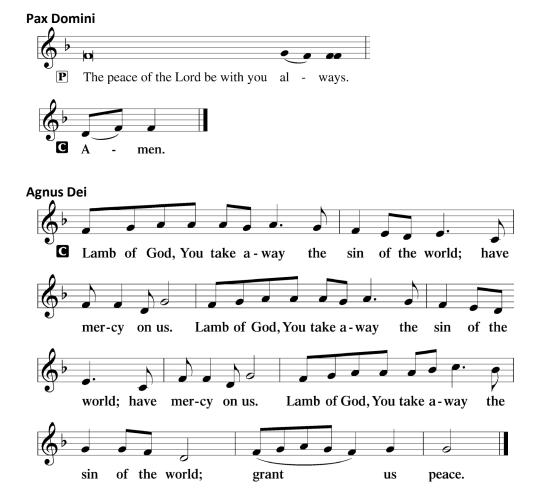
- P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
 - In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when 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."
- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

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.



Distribution

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Distribution Hymns

The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace	#580
To Thee, Omniscient Lord of All	#613
The Clouds of Judgment Gather	#513

Thank the Lord



Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.





Post-Communion Collect

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.



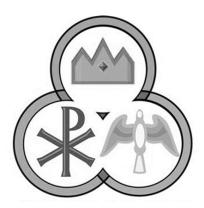
Benediction



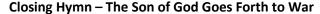
The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.





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- 1 The Son of God goes forth to war A king ly crown to gain.
- 2 The mar-tyr first, whose ea gle eye Could pierce be-yond the grave,
- 3 A glo-rious band, the cho-sen few, On whom the Spir it came, 4 A no ble ar my, men and boys, The ma tron and the maid,



His blood - red ban - ner streams a - far; Who fol - lows in His train? Who saw his mas - ter in the sky And called on Him to save. Twelve val - iant saints—their hope they knew And mocked the cross and flame. A - round the Say - ior's throne re-joice, In robes of light ar-rayed.



Who best can drink His cup of woe, Tri - um-phant o - ver pain, Like Him, with par - don on His tongue In midst of mor-tal pain, They met the ty-rant's bran-dished steel, The li - on's gor - y mane; They climbed the steep as - cent of heav'n Through per - il, toil, and pain.



Who pa - tient bears his cross be - low— He fol-lows in His train. He prayed for those who did the wrong—Who fol-lows in his train? They bowed their necks their death to feel— Who fol-lows in their train? O God, to us may grace be giv'n To fol-low in their train!

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Prayer Requests for Family & Friends

The Church:

- **-For our homebound members**: Tom Bicusky, Florence Boehme, Lois Dittmer, Joan Cisko, Dottie Heslop, Vince Kimberland, Gladys Cimarolli, and 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, Albert Hatala, 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 **†**

Guest Pastor: Rev. James Oester

Music Director: Mark Killinger

Organist: Doug Krantz

The Elders: Jim Neill, Bob Schmidt, Roger Diederich

The Acolyte: Lindsey Liberatore (8:00)

Elder (10:30)

The Ushers: Shane Bryant, Bill/Ken/Will Schrag (8:00)

John & Luke Lemonovich, Susie Bishop, Mike Kozak (10:30)

Altar Guild: Janet & Marian Oelschlager

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Paula Jones in memory of her mother, Jean Boliver; and by Charles & Kathy Kacvinsky in loving memory of Charles Kacvinsky Sr.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Megan Richards in memory of her father, Frank Rilius.

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (8/7) – 53 (8 am); 55 (10:30 am) Mid-Week Service (8/10) – (2 pm)

Sunday Plate Offerings (8/7) – \$3115 Online Offering – \$2,009.83

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

This Week at Zion

SUN 8/14 FOOD BANK COLLECTION	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study & Children's Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship
MON 8/15	6:15 PM – Grace Bells 7:15 PM – Choir 8:15 PM – Faith Bells
TUE 8/16	
WED 8/17	2:00 PM – Worship & Bible Study
THU 8/18	
FRI 8/19	
SAT 8/20	
SUN 8/21	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study & Children's Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship



Zion is a church partner of the Bridgeville Community Food Bank (BCFB), which is operated out of Bethany Presbyterian Church on Washington Rd. in Bridgeville. The food bank distributes non-perishable food and hygiene products to needy families within the Chartiers Valley and South Fayette communities. A yearly Christmas toy drive is also conducted for Food Bank recipient families.

Barb Oechslein is Zion's volunteer Food Bank coordinator. Barb takes the items contributed by Zion members each month to the BCFB for distribution to needy families. In our monthly Zion newsletter you will find a reminder of the "item of the month" (although you can donate any non-perishable item you choose!) and when the items will be taken to the BCFB each month. Simply bring donated items to church and place them in the tall wicker basket in the narthex.



Please consider supporting the Food Bank with your donations and volunteer service!

Many families in our area are in need due to the financial downturn

Oktoberfest 2022

Saturday, October 1, 4 - 8 p.m.





For your Enjoyment: German Band

For your Appetite: German-Themed Menu

For your Kids: Bouncy Castle, Balloon Artist, Games, Pumpkin Painting, Free Food and

much more

For your Curiosity: Haven 1 Open House

Fireworks at 7:45 p.m.

Flu Shots (4-7 p.m.)

For more information call 724-352-1571, ext. 8268

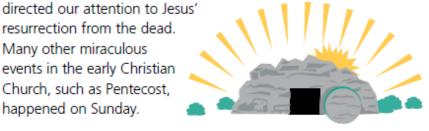
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Why do we worship on Sunday?

Do you remember on what day Jesus rose from the dead? On what day did Jesus appear to His disciples on the road to Emmaus? If you guessed Sunday, you are right! The Early Church gathered on Sunday because it

resurrection from the dead. Many other miraculous events in the early Christian Church, such as Pentecost, happened on Sunday.



When did Christians begin gathering together for worship on Sundays?

We know from the Bible that during Paul's lifetime Christians met on Sunday to hear God's Word and celebrate Holy Communion (Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:2). Though Christians in different regions of the world sometimes worshipped on different days, by A.D. 325 most Christians worshipped on Sunday because they considered it "the Lord's Day." Wow, what a great tradition we share with our Christian ancestors!



Parents: In the Early Church, Christians used different terms for their day of worship such as "First Day" or "Eighth Day." The label "the Lord's Day" stands out as the most significant title chosen by the Church. Direct your children to the significance in having a particular day set aside for receiving God's wonderful gifts through Word and Sacrament.

