## Zion Lutheran Church



August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Twelfth 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!

## Opening Hymn - O Worship the King

- O worship the King, all-glorious above.
   O gratefully sing His pow'r and His love;
   Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
   Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.
- O tell of His might, O sing of His grace, Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space; His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.
- 3 This earth, with its store of wonders untold,
  Almighty, Thy pow'r hath founded of old,
  Established it fast by a changeless decree,
  And round it hath cast,
  like a mantle, the sea.

4 Thy bountiful care
what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air,
it shines in the light,
It streams from the hills,
it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills
in the dew and the rain.

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- 5 Frail children of dust and feeble as frail, In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail. Thy mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, Our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend!
- 6 O measureless Might, ineffable Love, While angels delight to hymn Thee above, Thy humbler creation, though feeble their lays, With true adoration shall sing to Thy praise.
- 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.
- **G** Amen.

#### The Service of the Word

Introit -- Psalm 75:1-2, 6, 9; antiphon: v. 7



- P It is God who executes | judgment, putting down one and lifting up an- | other.
- **Q** We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks, for your | name is near.

We recount your | wondrous deeds.

At the set time that | I appoint

I will judge with | equity.

For not from the east or | from the west and not from the wilderness comes | lifting up.

But I will declare it for- | ever;

I will sing praises to the God of | Jacob.

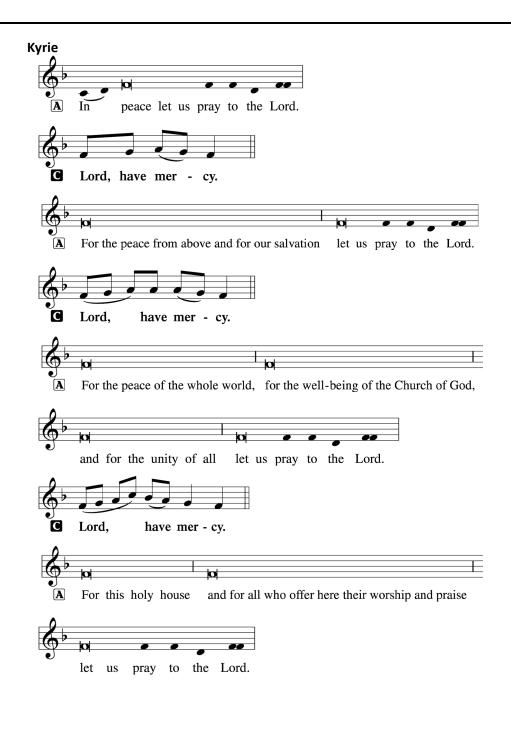
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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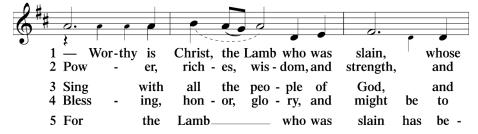
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra-cious Lord.

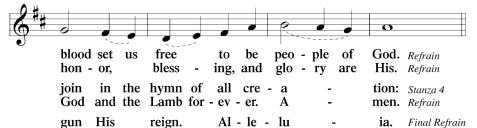
















## Salutation and Collect of the Day



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## P Let us pray.

And

O Lord of grace and mercy, teach us by Your Holy Spirit to follow the example of Your Son in true humility, that we may withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds avoid ungodly pride; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## Old Testament Reading - Proverbs 25:2-10

It is the glory of God to conceal things,

but the glory of kings is to search things out.

As the heavens for height, and the earth for depth, so the heart of kings is unsearchable.

Take away the dross from the silver,

and the smith has material for a vessel;

take away the wicked from the presence of the king,

and his throne will be established in righteousness.

Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great, for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

What your eyes have seen do not hastily bring into court, for what will you do in the end, when your neighbor puts you to shame?

Argue your case with your neighbor himself, and do not reveal another's secret, lest he who hears you bring shame upon you, and your ill repute have no end.

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

#### Epistle Reading – Hebrews 13:1–17

Let brotherly love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body. Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." So we can confidently say,

"The Lord is my helper;
I will not fear;
what can man do to me?"

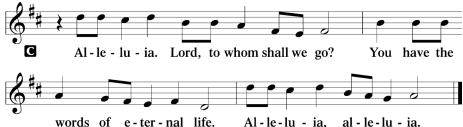
Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them. We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured. For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. Through him then let us

continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.

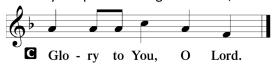
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#### **Holy Gospel**

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

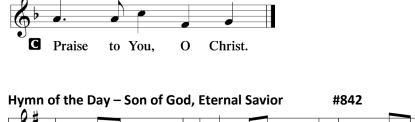


One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. And he said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" And they could not reply to these things.

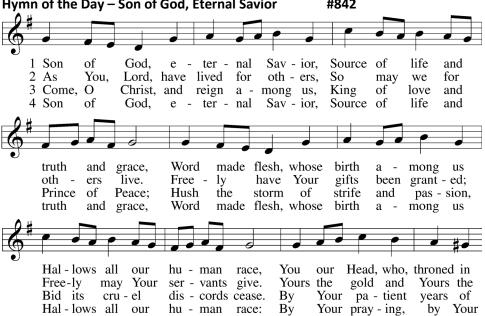
Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, "When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. But when

you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

He said also to the man who had invited him, "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. You will be repaid at the resurrection of the just."



P This is the Gospel of the Lord.





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#### 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.

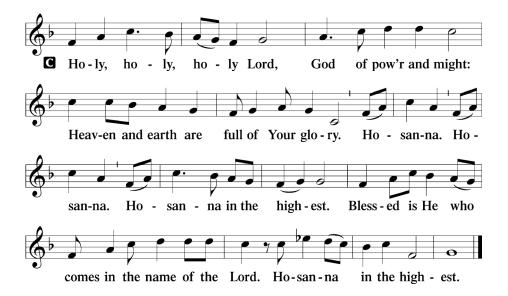


## Service of the Sacrament



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. 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



## **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.
- 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.

#### **Pax Domini**

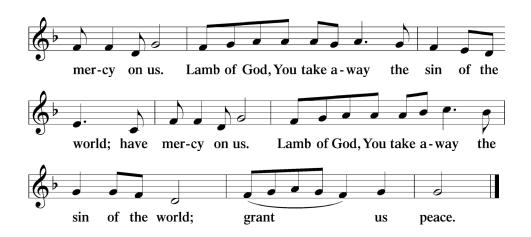


**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.









#### Distribution

If you are visiting us today from a Christian denomination outside the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, we welcome you to come to the altar to receive a baptismal blessing. Please signify by crossing your arms over your chest upon kneeling.

## **Distribution Hymns**

Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace	#844
Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness	#636
Jesus Comes Today with Healing	#620

#### Thank the Lord



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





with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

#### **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**

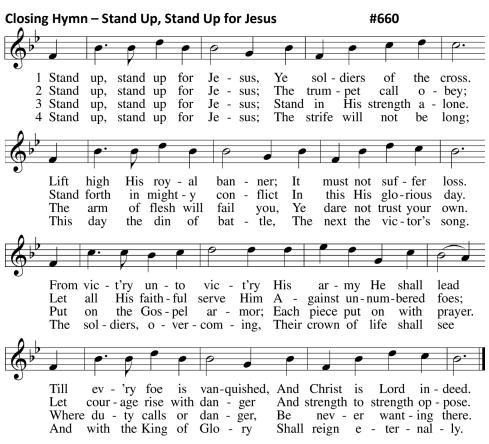


The Lord bless you and keep you.

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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Prayer Requests for Family & Friends

## The Church:

- -For our homebound members: Tom Bicusky, Florence Boehme, Lois Dittmer, Joan Cisko, Dottie Heslop, 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 \*

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Edward Grimenstein

Music Director: Mark Killinger

Organist: Sandy Quinlan

The Elders: Jim Neill, Bob Schmidt

The Acolyte: Daniel Grimenstein (8:00)

Claire Lemonovich (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 the Erbrecht family in memory of loved ones; and by the Kozak family in memory of loved ones.

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. In addition, the Family Care Room in the back of the sanctuary is equipped with a nursing chair and changing

station items.

## Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (8/21) – 48 (8 am); 77 (10:30 am) Mid-Week Service (8/24) – 11 (2 pm)

Sunday Plate Offerings (8/21) – \$3127 Online Offering – \$16,865 Online giving is available on Zion's website at www.zlcb.org/donate

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SUN 8/28	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study & Children's Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship
MON 8/29	6:15 PM – Grace Bells 7:15 PM – Choir 8:15 PM – Faith Bells
TUE 8/30	
WED 8/31	2:00 PM – Worship & Bible Study
THU 9/1	7:00 PM – Elder's Mtg.
FRI 9/2	
SAT 9/3	
SUN 9/4	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study & Children's Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Clarksburg, WV, one of our region's new mission congregations and one of only 5 LCMS congregations in the entire state of West Virginia, is seeking a **Program Manager** to work in a Family Support Center they are establishing in Harrison County, WV.

The ideal candidate would be a Lutheran with a passion for working in a service organization geared toward strengthening ties between parents and children. The candidate would be responsible for developing various programs to achieve this goal. In addition, St. John's is hoping to utilize the Program Manager for various duties related to education and administration

If you or someone you know has experience in this area, or is interested in pursuing a career in this field, please contact Pastor Stanley Lacey at pastorlacey@stjohnslutheranwv.org.

within the congregation.



Ladies ... join us for the LWML — Lutheran Women in Mission Fall Retreat Sept. 23-25th in Butler, PA! Details and registration forms are on the table in the back of the sanctuary. Deadline for registration is August 31st! Contact Tevia Grimenstein for more information.



At Zion

## JOIN US SUN. SEPT 11TH AT 9:15 AM IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

A new school year is beginning, and it's the perfect time for children, and adults, to Rally back to a great Sunday routine centered on the study of God's Word!

- · Coffee, juice, French toast sticks, bagels and more!
- Sarris gift cards and the Zoo membership grand prize will be awarded to students who participated in CPH Reads!
- · Each child will receive a Rally Day goodie bag.
- After the opening, students will meet their teachers and be dismissed to their SS classroom; adults/teens will stay for Pastor-led Bible study.





Frain up a child
in the way he should go and when he is old
he will not depart from it.

Proverbs 22:6





Most people use the word "worship" to mean something we do to honor God. Because of this misunderstanding, many people believe that a church service is what we do for God. The word "worship" comes from the root words "worth" and "ship." These two words describe God rather than the ones praising Him. These words describe a God who is worthy of being honored and adored because of His love for us. God gives us His love through His Word and Sacraments. Worship is not something we do, but rather something that God does for us!

# What makes the Divine Service so important?

The Divine Service is not about what we are doing for God, but who God is and what He does for us in the ways He has promised: His Word and Sacraments. That's why Lutherans call it *Divine Service*. God is serving us! What a wonderful God we have!



Parents: The Divine Service is like listening to one long reading from the Bible. Everything in the Divine Service has been given to us through God's Word. Explain this to your children, reminding them that it is God's Word that delivers God's salvation to us!

