Zion Lutheran Church



June 18th, 2023 Third 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

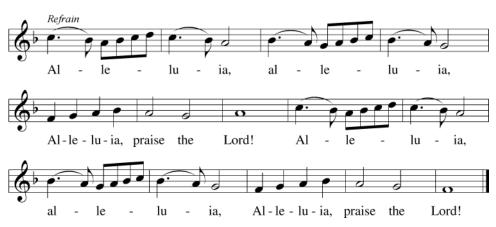
Our worship services are based on traditional church liturgies in which God speaks to us in His Word and we respond to Him. These liturgies were used by the early church almost 2000 years ago and are rich in scriptural meaning, connecting us to our past -- and future -- in Christ Jesus. There is a depth 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!



- 1 Lord, this day we've come to wor-ship; Fa ther, Son, and Ho ly Ghost,
- the pow'r of res - ur - rec - tion We have come to praise the Lord,
- do Your will,
- 3 May Your Word en rich our spir it, Give us strength to 4 As we meet our bless-ed Sav ior At the Ta ble Ta - ble of the Lord,
- 5 Cel e brate the res - ur - rec - tion In the church and sing His praise,



Grace us with Your bless-ed pres-ence; Bless - ed Sav-ior, be our host. Cel - e - brate His bless-ed sup - per, And to learn His ho - ly Word. Show the king-dom we'll in - her - it, When at last our voice is still. May this bod - y bro-ken for us Strength and com-fort. Lord, af-ford. we come to true per - fec - tion: Serve Till the Lord through all our days.



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- $lap{P}$ In the name of the Father and of the $lap{+}$ 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,
- who made heaven and earth.

- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- 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 67:4-7; antiphon: v. 3



- P Let the peoples praise you, | O God; let all the peoples | praise you!
- Let the nations be glad and | sing for joy, for you guide the nations up- | on earth. Let the peoples praise you, | O God;

let all the peoples | praise you!

The earth has yielded its | increase:

The earth has yielded its | increase; God, our God, shall | bless us.

God shall | bless us;

let all the ends of the earth | fear him!

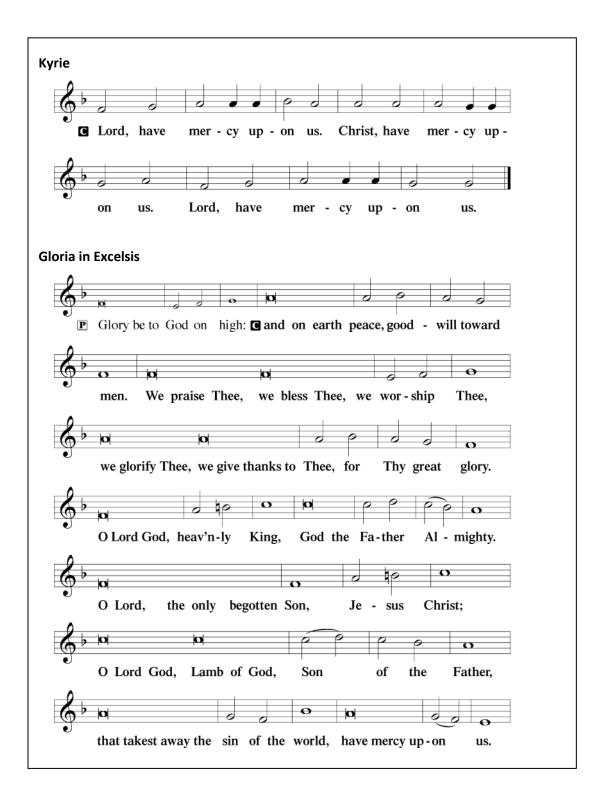
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,

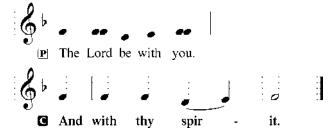
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Let the peoples praise you, | O God; let all the peoples | praise you!





Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

Almighty, eternal God, in the Word of Your apostles and prophets You have proclaimed to us Your saving will. Grant us faith to believe Your promises that we may receive eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading -- Exodus 19:2-8

[The people of Israel] set out from Rephidim and came into the wilderness of Sinai, and they encamped in the wilderness. There Israel encamped before the mountain, while Moses went up to God. The LORD called to him out of the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel."

So Moses came and called the elders of the people and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. All the people answered together and said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do." And Moses reported the words of the people to the LORD.

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

Choir -- How Beautiful (10:30 am)

Epistle Reading -- Romans 5:6-15

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many.

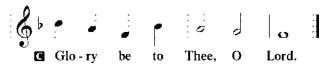
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Alleluia



Holy Gospel

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

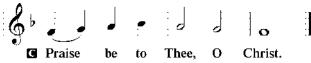


Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And proclaim as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

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.

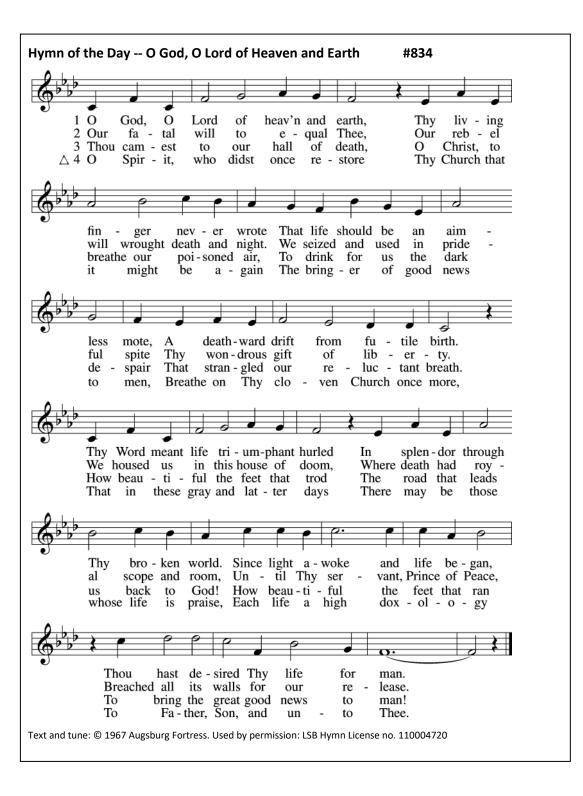
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven

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.

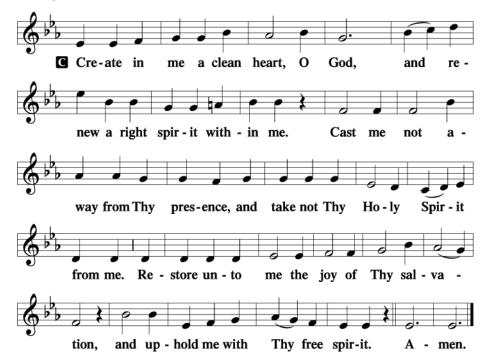
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.

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

Offertory



Gathering of Offerings

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

Prayer of the Church

P ... Let us pray to the Lord.

C ... Lord have mercy.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface



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. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





⊕ 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 cometh in the name of the Lord.



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

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.

The Words of Our Lord

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."

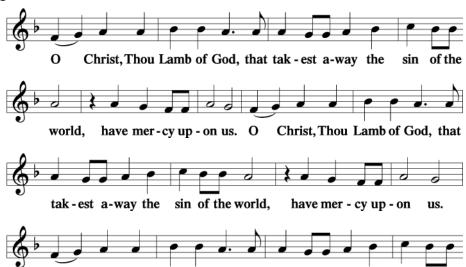
Pax Domini



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



Agnus Dei



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



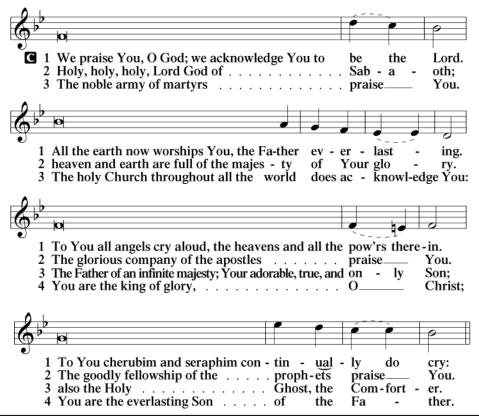
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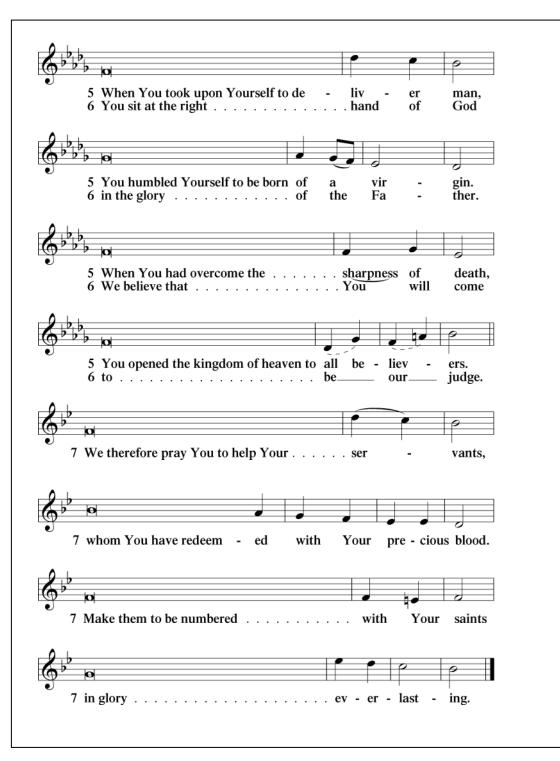
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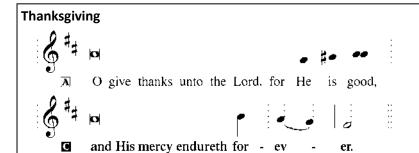
Distribution Hymns

God Loved the World So That He Gave #571
O Christ, Who Called the Twelve #856
Oh, How Great Is Your Compassion #559

Te Deum







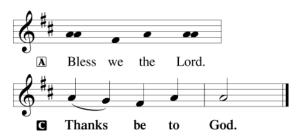
P Let us pray.

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.



Benedicamus



Benediction





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



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



Closing Hymn -- Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling

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- 1 Hark, the voice of Je sus call-ing, "Who will go and work to day? 2 Some take up His task in morn-ing, To their Lord re-spond-ing soon;
- as rain and snow from heav-en Wa ter seeds in dust y soil,
- 4 Hear ken to the Lord whose com ing Marks the time when grace shall end,



are white and har-vests wait-ing—Who will bear the sheaves a - way?" Fields are called in heat of mid-day, Oth-ers late in Some af - ter-noon: Caus - ing them to bud and flow - er, Giv - ing bread to those who toil; When with His an - gel - ic reap - ers He in glo - ry shall de-scend.



Loud and long the Mas-ter call - eth; Rich re-ward He of - fers thee. set - ting, Some are sent in - to the fields, sun is E - ven as the the Lord sends forth His prom-ise, Words of life and joy and peace— Soon the night, the fi - nal har - vest; Soon the time for work shall cease.



Who will an-swer, glad - ly say - ing, "Here am I, send me, send me"? There to gath-er in the boun-ty That God's Word so rich - ly yields. Nev - er void to Him re-turn-ing, Bear - ing fruit with great in-crease. Then the souls His grace has gar-nered Shall en - joy His Sab - bath peace.

Prayer Requests for Family & Friends

The Church:

- -For our homebound members: Tom Bicusky, Florence Boehme, Ron Valentino, Ted & Marian Siek.
- -Healing & Strength for: Garry Healy (nephew of Janet Zreliak), Jim Neill, Tim & Kami Fitzgerald, Shannon (sister of Maryann McClure), Jon Canale, Judy Bridges, Baby Micah (premature birth), Pastor Ernest Knoche, Jim and Lisa Kress, Rose Steranko, Millie Thielet, Jen Fitzgerald, Barbara & Kara Koski, Mike Wallace, Joanne Garloff, Neil Ackerman, Richard Hultman, Rita Sheldon, Dennis Finney, Eva Bukovitz, , 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 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

Elders: Sam Garloff, Mike Wallace (8:00)

Bill Bishop, Roger Diederich (10:30)

Acolytes: Claire Schrag (8:00); Elder (10:30)

Ushers: Ron Meier, Noah Wallace, Gene Koop, Brian Pasquini (8:00)

Dan & Tracey Harris, Sam & Jack Bishop (10:30)

Altar Guild: Janet & Marian Oelschlager

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Esther Finney in memory of loved ones; and by Paul & Terry Hayes in celebration of Fathers Day.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by the Lemonovich Family in honor of Claire, Kate, Elizabeth & Johnny's birthday, and in memory of Richard Wible.

MID-WEEK SERVICES will continue through the summer at 2:00 on Wednesdays. They are 30 minutes in length, followed by a 30-minute Bible study. This a great opportunity for those who may be unable to worship on Sunday.





A VOTERS' MEETING to present Zion's 2023-24 Fiscal Year Budget will be held between services next Sunday, 6/25 at 9:15 in the Fellowship Hall. Join us for this important presentation!

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (6/11) -- 63 (8 am); 65 (10:30 am) Mid-Week Worship Attendance (6/14) -- 9 (2 pm) Plate Offerings (6/11) -- \$3093 Online Offering -- \$1840

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



This Week at Zion

SUN 6/18	8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Adult/Teen Bible Study & Sunday School Summer Session 10:30 AM Worship & Confirmation
MON 6/19	6:30 PM Youth Group Movie/Ice Cream Night in Fellowship Hall
TUE 6/20	6:30 PM Women's Summer Book Club @ parsonage
WED 6/21	2:00 PM Mid-Week Worship & Bible study
THU 6/22	
FRI 6/23	
SAT 6/24	
SUN 6/25	8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Special Voters' Meeting for Annual Budget & Summer SS 10:30 AM Worship





Our June youth group meeting is TOMORROW!

We moved the day this month due to Father's Day.

All youth in 7-12th grades are cordially invited!

Movie Night/Ice Cream Sundae Bar Monday, June 19th 6:30-9:00 Zion Fellowship Hall



Upcoming Events

June Women's Summer Book Club

Tuesday, June 20th @ 6:30 p.m. Zion Parsonage Light refreshments will be served.

Watch your emails for a sign up!



Last Summmer at Eden Christina Hergenrader

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Friday - Sunday, September 22-24, 2023 LWML Eastern District Fall Retreat Camp Pioneer on the Lake Registration is now open!

Saturday, October 14, 2023 LWML Pittsburgh Zone Fall Rally Zion Lutheran Church, Lawrenceville



What does "worship" really mean?

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!

