

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL SAINTS

9:00 am Sunday, November 5, 2023

RECEIVING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER AT ZION

As intended by Christ and as practiced by the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church throughout her history, "Closed Communion" is observed in this congregation, in which the Lord's Supper is distributed only to those:

- (a) who have been **baptized** in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
- (b) who have been **instructed** in the truth of Holy Scripture as taught in the Lutheran Confessions, who have been **confirmed** in this Lutheran faith, and who now confess the same doctrines that are taught in this congregation, holding membership in a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod;
- (c) who **believe that in this sacrament the real body and blood of Christ are truly distributed to them and orally received by them**, bestowing on them the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation;
- (d) who **sincerely repent** of all their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this holy meal.

Guests at our services, before receiving the sacrament, are requested to affirm these facts with one of our pastors. Thank you for honoring our practice. If you are looking for a church home, would like to be a member of Zion, or would like to learn more about the Christian Faith, please speak to one of our pastors about our membership classes.

✠ = *appropriate to make the baptismal sign of the cross*
When "rise" or "kneel" is indicated, it is *appropriate to sit if needed*

Greeting And Announcements: *The Lord be with you!* **And also with you!**

[Rise] **Invocation**

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

The Office of Confession of Sins and Absolution

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.

[Kneel]

Our help is in the name of the Lord Who made heaven and earth. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord. And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

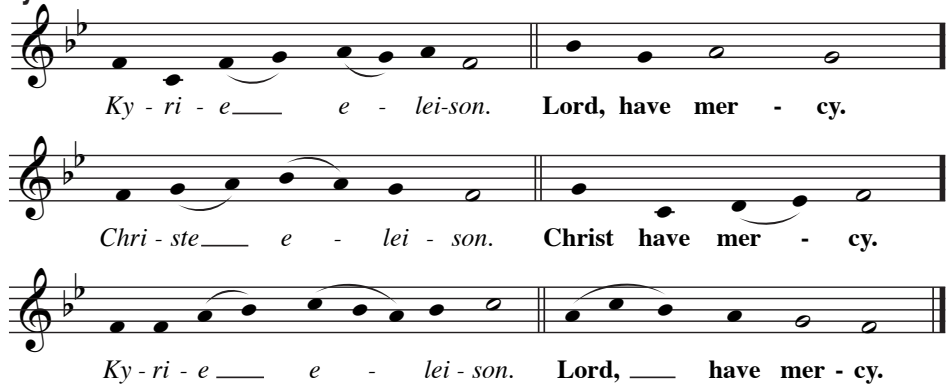
O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy 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.

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. Amen!

The Congregation rises, turns towards the entrance of the nave, and faces the Cross of Christ, the reminder of Christ's promise to come and dwell among His people as they are gathered in His name.

Entrance Hymn We Sing for All the Unsung Saints ... Burgundy Hymn 678

Kyrie

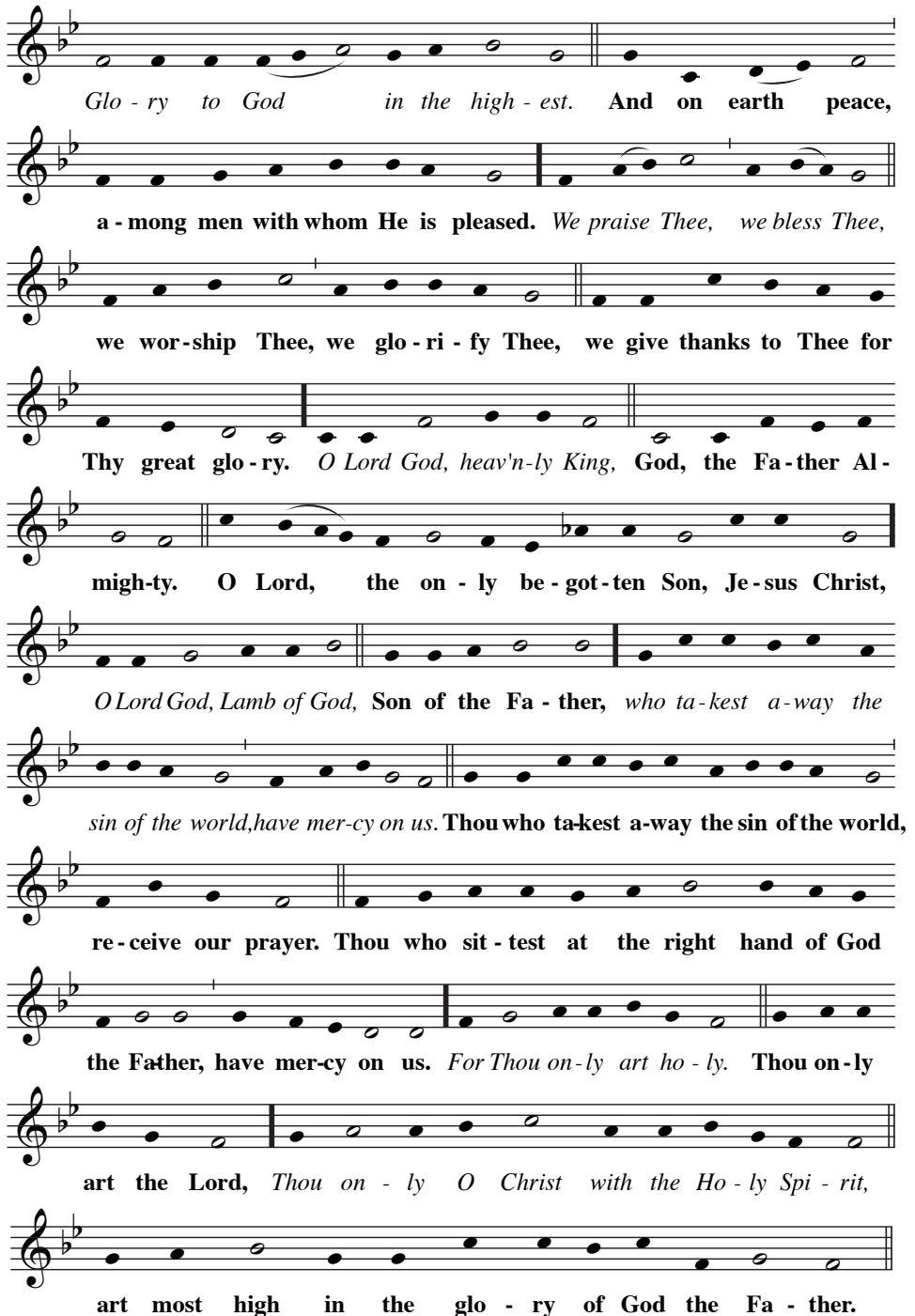


Ky - ri - e e - lei-son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chri - ste e - lei - son. Christ have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis



Glo - ry to God in the high - est. And on earth peace,

a - mong men with whom He is pleased. We praise Thee, we bless Thee,

we wor-ship Thee, we glo - ri - fy Thee, we give thanks to Thee for

Thy great glo - ry. O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God, the Fa - ther Al -

migh - ty. O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ,

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, who ta - kest a - way the

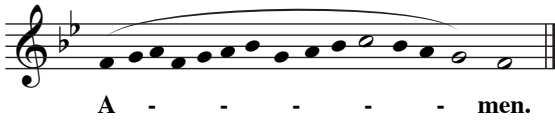
sin of the world, have mer - cy on us. Thou who ta - kest a - way the sin of the world,

re - ceive our prayer. Thou who sit - test at the right hand of God

the Father, have mer - cy on us. For Thou on - ly art ho - ly. Thou on - ly

art the Lord, Thou on - ly O Christ with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

art most high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.



Salutation

The Lord be with you.



Collect for the Commemoration of All Saints: *Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*



[Be Seated] + **The Office of the Word of God** +

First Reading..... **Revelation 7:2-17**

[After the reading] *“This is the word of the Lord.”* **“Thanks be to God.”**

Epistle of the Day **1 John 3:1-3**

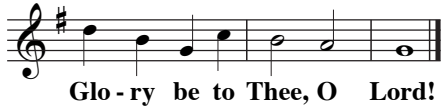
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[Rise]

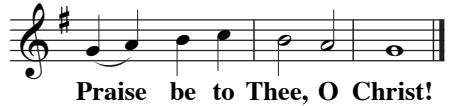
Sequence Hymn **Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones** **Burgundy Hymn 670**

Holy Gospel **St. Matthew 5:1-12**

[The Gospel is announced.]



[The Gospel is proclaimed.]



Confession of Faith (The 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

[Bow] 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 worshipped 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!

[After the Gospel has been returned to the Altar, the congregation is seated.]

Hymn of the Day For All the Saints Burgundy Hymn 677

[All sing stanzas 1 & 2; Men sing stanzas 3 & 5; Women sing stanzas 4 & 6; All sing stanzas 7 & 8; Rise for stanza 8.]

[Be seated] **Sermon**

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

[Rise] **Prayer of the Church**

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs: [After each petition]:..., Lord, in Your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

[After the final prayer]:..., one God, now and forever **Amen.**

[Be Seated] **Offerings**

Choral Voluntary "This Body in the Grave We Lay" J. Brahms

[The text to this anthem is found in the RED Lutheran Hymnal, Hymn 596.]

[Rise] **Offertory Hymn Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God**

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 to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion; and up - hold me
 with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

Preface

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

And with thy spir - it. We lift them up un-to the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface for All Saints' Day, Sanctus

It is truly meet, right and salutary ever more praising You and saying:

Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly, Lord God of hosts:

Heav - en and earth are full of Thy glo - ry;
 Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
 comes in the name of the Lord; Ho - san-na in the high - est.

[Kneel] **Lord's Prayer**

[Pastor chants:] *Our Father who art in heaven; but deliver us from evil.*

For Thine is the king - dom and the pow'r and the glo - ry
 for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

A - - - men.

Agnus Dei

1-3. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world,
 Stanzas 1 and 2 | Stanza 3
 have mer-cy up - on us. Grant us Thy Peace. A - - - men!

[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns Oh, How Blest Are They Burgundy Hymn 679

Oh, What Their Joy Burgundy Hymn 675

[Rise] **Eucharistic Benediction**

The Body and Blood of your Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting! ✠ Depart in Peace! Amen!

Post-Communion Canticle **The Nunc Dimittis**

1. Lord now— lettest Thou Thy
 servant, de- part— in — peace, ac- cord-ing to Thy Word.
2. For mine__ eyes have seen
 Thy Salvation,
 which Thou hast pre- pared__ be— fore the face of all__ people.



3. a Light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the Glo- ry of Thy peo-ple Is - - - ra-el.



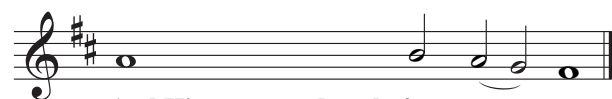
4. Glo— ry___ be to the Father, and to___ the ___ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



5. As it ___ was in the beginning, is now, and e-ver shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

Post Communion Rite

Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.



And His mercy endureth for - ev — er.

Prayer of Thanksgiving ...now and forever.



A — men.

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir — rit.

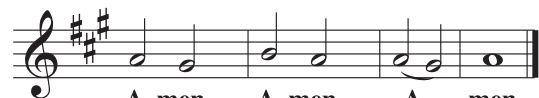
Bless we the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



A - men, A - men, A - men.

During the Recessional, the Congregation turns and faces the Processional Cross, the symbol of Christ's promise to remain with and lead His people as they now go and live in the world in His name.

Recessional Hymn Glorious Things Burgundy Hymn 648

[Sung to the tune "Abbott's Leigh" (LSB 646.)

Postlude

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Saints of Zion Lutheran Church Called Home to Christ in the Past Church Year



*Be faithful unto death,
and I will give you the crown of life.
Revelation 2:10*

Radafay Martin

Born October 17, 1955

Reborn into Christ December 22, 1963

Called home to her Savior December 9, 2022

*Living 67 years, 2 months, and 2 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!*

Virginia Hollman

Born April 18, 1934

Reborn into Christ May 6, 1934

Called home to her Savior December 11, 2022

*Living 88 years, 7 months, and 23 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!*

Willie Manning

Born July 21, 1951

Reborn into Christ

Called home to his Savior January 18, 2023

*Living 71 years, 5 months, and 28 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!*

Paul Dolde

Born April 27, 1945

Reborn into Christ May 20, 1945

Called home to his Savior March 11, 2023

*Living 77 years, 10 months, and 14 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!*

Donald Zettelmier

Born December 21, 1923

Reborn into Christ February 29, 1924

Called home to his Savior March 29, 2023

*Living 99 years, 3 months, and 8 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!*

Sandra Cummingham

Born November 18, 1944

Reborn into Christ December 1, 1944

Called home to her Savior July 16, 2023

*Living 78 years, 7 months, and 28 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!*

Hilda Volmerding

Born July 26, 1930

Reborn into Christ August 31, 1930

Called home to her Savior July 24, 2023

*Living 92 years, 11 months, and 29 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!*

Doris Yerger

Born August 18, 1922

Reborn into Christ January 1, 1934

Called home to her Savior September 18, 2023

*Living 101 years, 1 month, and 1 day on earth
and alive in Christ forever!*

Gloria Lynn Gonzalez

Born October 30, 1949

Reborn into Christ December 27, 1949

Called home to her Savior October 27, 2023

*Living 73 years, 11 months, and 29 days on earth
and alive in Christ forever!*

Readings for the Feast of All Saints

The First Reading is Revelation 7:2-17

Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, saying, “Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.” And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,
12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,
12,000 from the tribe of Gad,
12,000 from the tribe of Asher,
12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,
12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,
12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,
12,000 from the tribe of Levi,
12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,
12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,
12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,
12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

“Therefore they are before the throne of God,
and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.
They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;
the sun shall not strike them,

nor any scorching heat.
For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of living water,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

The Epistle is 1 John 3:1-3

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we will be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

The Gospel is Matthew 5:1-12

Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Hymns for the Feast of All Saints

LSB678 We Sing for All the Unsung Saints

Carl P. Daw, Jr.

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1. We sing for all the unsung saints, That countless, nameless throng,
Who kept the faith and passed it on With hope steadfast and strong
Through all the daily griefs and joys No chronicles record,
Forgetful of their lack of fame, But mindful of their Lord.
2. Though uninscribed with date or place, With title, rank, or name,
As living stones their stories join To form a hallowed frame
Around the myst'ry in their midst: The Lamb once sacrificed,
The Love that wrested life from death, The wounded, risen Christ.
3. So we take heart from unknown saints Bereft of earthly fame,
Those faithful ones who have received A more enduring name:
For they reveal true blessing comes When we our pride efface
And offer back our lives to be The vessels of God's grace.

LSB670 Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

J. Athelstan L. Riley

1. Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, Raise the glad strain: "Alleluia!"
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, pow'rs,
Virtues, archangels, angels' choirs:
"Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"
2. O higher than the cherubim,
More glorious than the seraphim, Lead their praises: "Alleluia!"
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the Lord:
"Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"
3. Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye patriarchs and prophets blest: "Alleluia, alleluia!"
Ye holy Twelve, ye martyrs strong,
All saints triumphant, raise the song:
"Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"
- Δ 4. O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing: "Alleluia, alleluia!"
To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One:
"Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"

LSB677 For All the Saints

William W. How

1. For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
2. Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- M 3. Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old
And win with them the victor's crown of gold! Alleluia! Alleluia!
- W 4. Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- M 5. And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- W 6. The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
7. But lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of glory passes on His way. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- △ 8. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!

LSB679 Oh, How Blest Are They

Simon Dach

1. Oh, how blest are they whose toils are ended,
Who through death have unto God ascended!
They have arisen From the cares which keep us still in prison.
2. We are still as in a dungeon living,
Still oppressed with sorrow and misgiving;
Our undertakings Are but toils and troubles and heartbreakings.
3. They meanwhile are in their chambers sleeping,
Quiet and set free from all our weeping;
No cross or sadness There can hinder their untroubled gladness.

4. Christ has wiped away their tears forever;
They have that for which we still endeavor,
By them are chanted Songs that ne'er to mortal ears were granted.
5. Come, O Christ, and loose the chains that bind us;
Lead us forth and cast this world behind us.
With You, the Anointed, Finds the soul its joy and rest appointed.

LSB675 Oh, What Their Joy

Peter Abelard

1. Oh, what their joy and their glory must be,
Those endless Sabbaths the blessed ones see!
Crowns for the valiant, to weary ones rest;
God shall be all, and in all ever blest.
 2. In new Jerusalem joy shall be found,
Blessings of peace shall forever abound;
Wish and fulfillment are not severed there,
Nor the things prayed for come short of the prayer.
 3. We, where no troubles distraction can bring,
Safely the anthems of Zion shall sing;
While for Your grace, Lord, their voices of praise
Your blessed people shall evermore raise.
- △ 4. Now let us worship our Lord and our King,
Joyfully raising our voices to sing:
Praise to the Father, and praise to the Son,
Praise to the Spirit, to God, Three in One.

LSB648 Glorious Things of You Are Spoken

John Newton

Sung to the tune "Abbot's Leigh" (LSB646)

1. Glorious things of you are spoken, Zion, city of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken Formed you for His own abode.
On the Rock of Ages founded, What can shake your sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded, You may smile at all your foes.
2. See, the streams of living waters, Springing from eternal love,
Well supply your sons and daughters And all fear of want remove.
Who can faint while such a river Ever will their thirst assuage?
Grace, which like the Lord, the giver, Never fails from age to age.
3. Round each habitation hov'ring, See the cloud and fire appear
For a glory and a cov'ring, Showing that the Lord is near.

Thus deriving from their banner Light by night and shade by day,
Safe they feed upon the manna Which God gives them on their way.

4. Savior, since of Zion's city I through grace a member am,
Let the world deride or pity, I will glory in Your name.
Fading are the world's vain pleasures, All their boasted pomp and show;
Solid joys and lasting treasures None but Zion's children know.

The Feast of All Saints



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Zion Lutheran Church is the body of Christ at Hanna and Creighton in Fort Wayne, Indiana that:

- Receives Christ's gifts in Word and Sacraments; and
- Responds to God's love in Christ by
 - Reaching out to those who do not know His love; and
 - Revealing His love in acts of kindness and mercy.

The Pastoral Ministry at Zion

Senior Pastor:

Rev. Douglas D. Punke, MDiv (341-5397)

Field Workers:

Paul Mroczenski, Matthew Harrison

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Chase Mertz (6th, MS Social Studies), Danielle Ramsey (5th), John Kuker (4th),
Abbey Zelt (3rd), John Fink (2nd), Hannah Maresh (1st),

Karen Koehlert (K-A), Rachel Wiegman (K-B), Natalie Reynolds (Art & Music),
Lizzy Hoham (Progress Partners Coach), Marcus Rush (K-5 PE)

The Support Staff

Organist and Director of Parish Music:

Michael Hollman, MM

Church Office Manager:

Melvia Culpher

PRAYERS FOR TODAY

- + For the church, especially those bearing the cross of persecution
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad, especially our fieldworkers Paul Mroczenski and Matthew Harrison
- + For our nation; for our leaders; for our military, including James Hall; especially at this perilous time in our world
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School, Concordia Lutheran High School, and Concordia Theological Seminary
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound
- + For those who are on hospice care, including Bryce Shull and Kenneth Raber.
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Connie Houser, Karen Coleman, Sarah Hollman, Debra Busche, Jessica Krause, Bill Weinrich, John Starks, Dwight Bieberich, Willodean Bates, Dick Hollman, Paul Herrmann, Bob Ockree, David Evans, John A. Pless, Joe Harrison, Louisa Porter, Marlow Hogan, Gregory Hogan, Marissia White, Sue Doepner, Geraldine Woods, Blakely White, Joan Messmann, Ron Rastl, and Robert & Jenny Hobby
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages, especially Maribeth & Kevin Leininger
- + For the gift of life and for length of days
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones, especially the Gonzalez family.
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed, including Fred Hill & Gloria Gonzalez.
- + For our communicants and for a fruitful use of the most Blessed Sacrament of our Lord's Body and Blood

IN THE SERVICE TODAY

Today is the Divine Service for the Feast of All Saints. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of the 39th wedding anniversary of Maribeth & Kevin Leininger. DaVanna Seifert and family have given the Altar Vases in loving memory of Fred Hill. Please complete an attendance/communion card, including the names of all children, and indicate if you are communing. Non-members, please read the back of the card.

CALENDAR

November 5, 2023 thru November 11, 2023

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service – All Saints' Day	Church
	10:30 AM	Education Hour	Various
MON.	3:45 PM	Jr. Catechesis	Conference Room
	5:00 PM	LSA Board Meeting	LSUS
TUES.			
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion	Conference Room
	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Chapel
THURS.			
FRI.			
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church

November 12, 2023

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:45 AM	Recognition Luncheon (Hollman, Lammert, Punke)	Bauer Hall
	3:00 PM	Old Crown Brass Concert	Church

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: Dr. Voelz is leading the study of Gospel according to St. Mark in the Adult Bible Study today. As needed Sunday School will meet in the Assoc. Pastor's Office.

NO EDUCATION HOUR next Sunday. Instead, there will be a recognition luncheon in Bauer Hall right after Divine Service. We will recognize Michael Hollman's 40 years of service to Zion, Richard Lammert's retirement and 25 years of ministry, and Pastor Punke's 20 years of service at Zion.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped out with the Trunk or Treat on a miserable, damp evening. When the rain started to come down hard, we moved the event quickly into Bauer Hall. We still served over 200 people with treats and a bit of information about Zion.

CONCORDIA DAY: Next Sunday the CLHS A Cappella Choir led by Mrs. Jennifer Porath will be with us at Zion (and I'm sure also parents) and will adorn the Divine Service with their choral music. Let us welcome them warmly. Mr. Jacob Pennekamp will address us briefly during the announcements, and there will be a free will offering for the music program (I think).

ALSO FROM CONCORDIA: All members of our high school family as well as everyone from our entire community is invited to participate in the CLHS mission, vision, and Campus Facility Master Plan Town Hall sessions on November 12 (2 pm), 13 (7 pm) and 14 (7 pm). In these meetings, you will hear from CLHS leadership regarding the progress of the current discovery process, including potential renovation and construction options available at our current location. Participants will have the opportunity both in small group settings and as a large group to provide opinions and feedback which will inform our school's future. To register, go to clhscadets.com/apps/form/town-hall.

FALL CLEAN UP: It's almost time for Zion's annual fall clean-up. Please join us between 9 a.m. and noon on Saturday, Nov. 18, to rake leaves, trim bushes, and perform other tasks needed to prepare our beautiful buildings and grounds for winter and the Christmas season. Bring rakes and other garden tools, along with an appetite: refreshments will be served! For more information, contact Kevin Leininger at 615-9896.

DON'T FORGET, from November 5th to December 5th, Zion will be collecting food items for CTSFW students and families. Ed and Janice Grim will make sure that there are bags and a list of suggested items. Then, once a week, they will drop all the food off at the seminary

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE: Revelation 21:4—"He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." Last week's verse was Ephesians 2:8-9.

REMINDER, if you want to help CLHS with their Cadets in Cadence Dinner Auction, please contact Matt Konow at 260-483-1102, ext. 251 or at mkonow@clhscadets.com.

PRESCHOOL AIDE NEEDED – Emmaus Lutheran Preschool, 8626 Covington Road, is in need of an afternoon aide for the remainder of this school year. Hours are Monday thru Friday, 12:30-4:30 p.m. If you are interested, or know someone who might be, please contact Joann Olsen, Preschool Director, at jolsen@emmauslutheranfw.org or 260-459-7722, ext. 1012.

WORSHIP ANEW: Join an amazing ministry team at Worship Anew as the Donor Database Specialist. The ministry is seeking a part-time Donor Database Specialist to be responsible for all database entry, reporting, and upkeep. This position also assists with viewer requests and performs other administrative duties as needed. To apply, please contact Worship Anew at (260) 471-5683.

For the family of God's Priestly People at Zion

God calls His own people a "Royal Priesthood." God makes us kings and queens, princes and princesses who are bound together by the Holy Spirit in Baptism for the Christian benefit of each other. Priests **PRAY** -- They talk to God about their neighbor! Priests **TEACH** -- They talk to their neighbor about God! Priests **OFFER SACRIFICES** -- They offer to God the sacrifice of broken and contrite hearts; they offer their bodies and work as holy services to God for their neighbors. Join in this priestly work of prayer with your fellow members.

Morning Prayer

Matthew 5:1-12
Matthew 23:13-39
Matthew 24:1-28
Matthew 24:29-51
Matthew 25:1-13
Matthew 25:14-30
Matthew 25:31-46

DAILY LECTIONARY

The Feast of All Saints

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday

Evening Prayer

Revelation 7:2-17
Jeremiah 8:18-9:12
Jeremiah 11:1-23
Jeremiah 20:1-18
Jeremiah 22:1-23
Jeremiah 23:1-20
Jeremiah 23:21-40

THE DAILY PETITIONS OF THE CHURCH

[Daily] **O Lord, have mercy upon us. O Christ, have mercy upon us. O Lord, have mercy upon us.** Let us pray:

[S] For the joy of the Resurrection among us; for true and godly worship throughout the world; for diligent preaching and hearing of God's Word of Law and Gospel; for our pastors; for the teachers and students of our Sunday School; for our Bible Class leaders and their students; for our catechumens; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[M] For workers; for the unemployed; for farmers; for seasonable weather; for businesses small and large; for our leaders, federal, state and local; for the economic welfare of the nations on earth; for peace in our world; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[T] For the tempted; for the addicted and despairing; for the tortured and oppressed; for the lonely; for the sick, the hospitalized, and the needy; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[W] For fathers, mothers, and families; for those adults who must rear their children alone; the teachers and students of Lutheran South Unity School and Concordia Lutheran High School; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[T] For the Church and her pastors; for the training of ministers of the Word; for missionaries of the Church; for the leaders of the Church, including Matthew, our synod president, and Richard, our district president; for those who have not heard the Gospel; for the fruitful use of the blessed Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[F] For the preaching of the Cross; for those persecuted for the sake of Gospel; the confession of the orthodox Lutheran faith in our community; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Sat] For faithfulness unto life's earthly end; for the revival of those who have withered in the faith or fallen away; for the dying; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Daily] **The Our Father**

TO PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Amos 5:18-24

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13



What Doctor Luther Says:

About the Certainty of Persecution for Christians

If you want to be a Christian, therefore, consider this well, lest you be frightened, lose heart, and become impatient. But be cheerful and content, knowing that you are not badly off when this happens to you. [Jesus] and all the saints had the same experience, as He says a little later. For this reason He issues a warning beforehand to those who want to be Christians, that they should and must suffer persecution. Therefore you may take your choice. You have two ways before you — either to heaven and eternal life or to hell, either with Christ or with the world. ... In short, you must either surrender Christ and heaven or make up your mind that you are willing to suffer every kind of persecution and torture in the world. Briefly, anyone who wants to have Christ must put in jeopardy his body, life, goods, reputation, and popularity in the world. He dare not let himself be scared off by contempt, ingratitude, or persecution.

The reason is this: the devil is a wicked and angry spirit. He will not and cannot stand seeing a man enter the kingdom of God. And if the man undertakes to do so, he blocks the way himself, arousing and attempting every kind of opposition he can summon. If you want to be God's child, therefore, prepare yourself for persecution, as the wise man says. Paul says in 2 Timothy 3:12: "All who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted." And Christ Himself says (John 15:20): "The disciple should not be better off than his master. If they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you." There is no other way out, and therefore the statement is: "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of the kingdom of heaven," to let us know how to console ourselves.

Luther's Works, 21:45-6.

Appeal for Help

Do you remember Hailey Horn? She spent time back in 2021 in Riley's Children's Hospital dealing with a major surgery to her brain due to infection and brain injury. We along with the other Lutheran South Association churches helped the family with their emergency needs. Praise God, Hailey recovered and returned to school, though she has had to use a leg brace due to the stroke-like symptoms she suffered.

Hailey is now in the 4th grade. Her name is apparently "Hart" now (I didn't know that). And she has been fitted and approved for a more permanent state-of-the-art brace that will enable her to walk without assistance. It will give her more support and help stimulate the inactive nerves in her leg and foot. The brace, however, can't be ordered until the money is there. Her mother, Mandi, said that it will cost them \$3,500.00, money she doesn't have.

I asked the Elders permission to make an appeal to Zion to help the family — the other congregations are helping, too. We have supported the family in the past with our prayers when Hailey was fighting for her life, and we supported the family through donations to help with hospital expenses. They need our help again. Would your consider it?

We will have a special door offering this week and on November 19 to support the family's efforts to get Hailey a new and improved leg brace. Please help as you are able. Thank you.

LSUS NOTES

Praying for You!

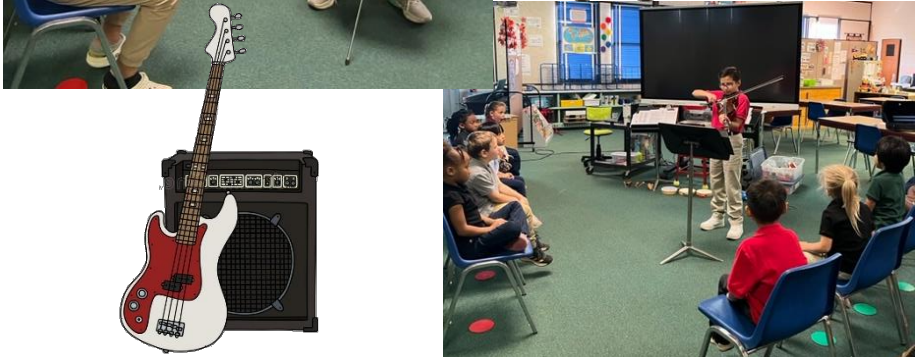
Please pray for these students/staff:

Olive	Anthony
Thinnyamone	Kaylen
Carreonna	Gay Doh
Eden	Jabron
Sebastian	All Teachers
Kaylen	All Parents



Student Demonstrations: String Instruments

We have many musically talented students here at LSUS. Mrs. Reynolds asked some of our string instrument musicians to demonstrate their instruments for her music classes. 5th grader, Alex, played his violin, Josef in 7th grade played his cello, and 5th grader, Jaylon, played his electric bass guitar.



Meet The Staff



Mr. Cullen is Lutheran South Unity School welcomes Mr. Michael Cullen as the seventh grade homeroom teacher. He also teaches science, health, and pre-algebra in Middle School.

Mr. Cullen is the first born son of Pastor Donald Lee Cullen Jr and Donna Cullen. He has two younger siblings – a brother and a sister.

Starting eight and a half years ago, Mr. Cullen started teaching at Concordia Lutheran Elementary School. He has taught seventh and eighth grade science, high school

biology, Old Testament, physical education, health and technology.

His hobbies and interests are gym, frisbee, video games, card games, board games, Japanese language, Anime, Manga, medical science journals, psychology, philosophy, gardening, and birds.

Mr. Cullen's goal as a teacher is to facilitate a community both in the classroom and school that builds relationships, respect, endurance through Scripture and wisdom.

May the Lord continue to bless Mr. Cullen's ministry at LSUS.

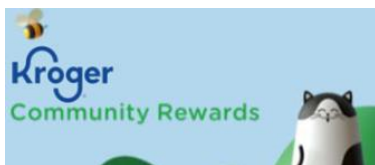
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Found in Scriptures:

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. —Isaiah 41:10



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Music Events

ALL MUSIC EVENTS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Except where noted all events take place in Kramer Chapel.

Sunday, November 5 at 4:30 p.m.

Organ Recital

*Matthew Gerhardt (St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School,
Des Peres, Missouri)*

Sunday, November 5 at 7:30 p.m.

Choral Vespers

*Kantorei and soloists will sing Bach Cantata 99,
"What God Ordains Is Always Good."*

Monday, November 6 at 7:30 p.m.

Hymn Festival

*Schola Cantorum and area church choirs with organist Kevin Hildebrand
at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 1126 S. Barr St., Fort Wayne, IN 46802*

All events above are also part of the Good Shepherd Institute Conference.

Visit ctsfw.edu/GSI for complete details.

Saturday, December 9 at 4:00 p.m.

Advent Candlelight Evening Prayer

Choirs of CTSFW

For information on other events happening at CTSFW throughout the year, please scan the code or visit ctsfw.edu/events.



LIFE NEWS—NOVEMBER 2023



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Life Newsbytes

13,241 People Were Euthanized in Canada in 2022, Setting New Record – From Alex Schadenberg: Health Canada recently released the Fourth Annual Report on Medical Assistance in Dying (2022). The data is gathered from the reports submitted by the medical or nurse practitioners who carried out the death ... The report (2022) indicates that there were: 13,241 assisted deaths in 2022 up from 10,092 in 2021, 7611 in 2020, 5665 in 2019, 4493 in 2018, 2838 in 2017, and 1018 in 2016. The 2022 report also indicates that the number of assisted deaths increased by 31.2%, representing 4.1% of all deaths. The total of number of reported assisted deaths in Canada from legalization to December 31, 2022, was 44,958. The report indicates that euthanasia represented 3.3% of all deaths, which was up from 2.5% in 2021. The data indicate a big difference in the percentage of euthanasia deaths between provinces. According to the data, the percentage of all deaths that were euthanasia increased in all provinces ... This is the Second Health Canada MAiD report since the federal government expanded eligibility for euthanasia (MAiD) in March 2021 by passing Bill C-7 ... It is concerning that 2264 people (17.1%) died by euthanasia based on loneliness and isolation. Many people with significant medical conditions also live with loneliness and isolation. Social isolation and loneliness require a compassionate, caring community, not death by lethal injection. (Read more: alexschadenberg.blogspot.com.)

Speaking up For Life

“Tune out the NOISE of the lies, bury yourself deep into God’s Word of truth, and go forth with the life-affirming message, dressed in Christ’s priestly armor and standing as sentry in prayer!”
Lynette Auch, former president of Lutherans For Life

“Respect for God’s chain of authority holds true with the police, legislators, governors, presidents, and judges who have been placed over me. Some I may have chosen willingly, while others I may have voted against or had no say in. Still, we believe God has given them their authority. I may feel a responsibility to oppose their plans or question how they perceive and execute justice, but even then, I owe them respect and honor.”
Pastor Dan Guagenti, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Shelbyville, Kentucky

“In the Christian calendar, secular time is swallowed up in Sacred Time, which is a foreshadowing of the eternal Day of the Lord, when all that we have foolishly sought after and worried about will vanish as will the night vanish on the dawning of the Lord’s Day. Rejoice, the Lord is near.” *James M. Kushiner, executive director, Fellowship of St. James*

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