Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00 am Sunday, August 6, 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:

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

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. **\family = 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!
Invocation
In the name of the Father and of the \maltese Son and of the Holy Spirit
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
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

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.

Introit



Oh give thanks to the Lord; call up- | on his name; || make known his | deeds [Antiphon] *a- mong the* | •peoples•!

Verse 1: He spread a cloud for a | cov- er- ing, || and fire | to give light by | night.

Verse 2: They asked, and | he brought quail, || and gave them bread from heaven | in a-bun- | dance.

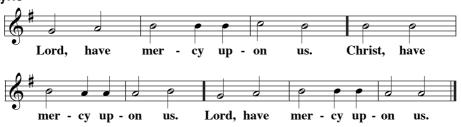
Verse 3: For he remembered his | ho- ly *promise*, || and | A- bra- ham, his | *servant•.

Verse 4: So he brought his people | out with joy, || his chosen | ones with sing- | ing.

Gloria: Glory be to the Father and | to the Son: | and | to the Ho-ly | •Spirit•; As it was in the be- | •ginning•, is now, || and will | be for- •ever.• A- | men!

[Antiphon] Oh give thanks to the Lord; call up- | on his name; | make known his | deeds a- mong the | •peoples•!







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Thou..... on -- ly art the Lord.

high in the | •glory• of God the •Father.• A-men.

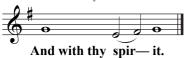
8. For Thou • only• art • holy•

Christ, with the . . . Ho - - ly Ghost;

9. Thou, only, O

Salutation

The Lord be with you.



Collect for the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost: Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still you provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



[Be Seated]

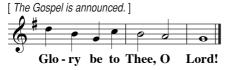
+ The Office of the Word of God +

Alleluia Sequence

[Deacon] Alleluia! Alleluia! Man ate of the bread of the angels; he sent them food in abundance. Alleluia!



Holy Gospel St. Matthew 14:13-21





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 \pm of the world to come. Amen!

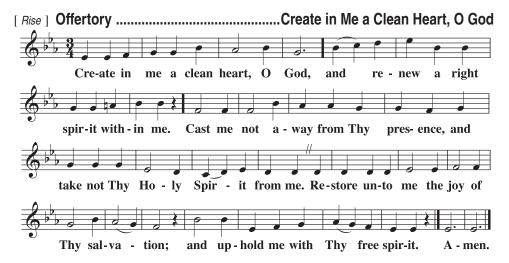
[Be Seated]

Hymn of the Day O Living Bread from Heaven Burgundy Hymn 642

Sermon

[Rise] Prayer of the Church

[Be Seated] Offerings, Voluntary



+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

Preface

The Lord be with you.



We lift them up un-to the Lord.

And with thy spir - it.

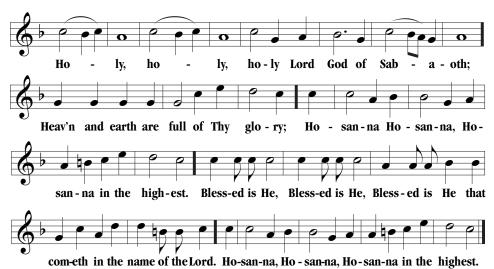
Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



It is meet and right so to do.

Common Preface, Sanctus

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

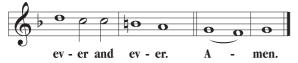


[Kneel] Lord's Prayer

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



For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glo - ry for-

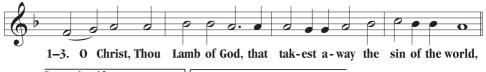


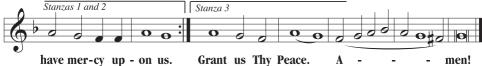
Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



Agnus Dei





[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns Soul, Adorn Yourself Burgundy Hymn 636

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

Lord Jesus Christ Burgundy Hymn 625

[Rise] Eucharistic Benediction

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.



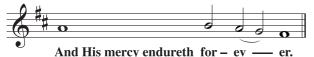
4. Glo—ry__ be to the

Father, and to ____ the ___ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



Post Communion Rite

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



Prayer of Thanksgiving ... now and forever.



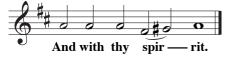
The Lord be with you.

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Thanks be to

Bless we the Lord.

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.



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 Now Thank We All Our God Burgundy Hymn 895

Postlude

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Readings for the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Old Testament Reading is Isaiah 55:1-5

"Come, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and he who has no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
Incline your ear, and come to me;
hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples.

Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you."

The Epistle is Romans 9:1-13

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit—that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ who is God over all, blessed forever Amen

But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel, and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring. For this is what the promise said: "About this

time next year I will return and Sarah shall have a son." And not only so, but also when Rebecca had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God's purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of his call—she was told, "The older will serve the younger." As it is written, "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated."

The Gospel is Matthew 14:13-21

Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." But Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Hymns for the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

LSB642 O Living Bread from Heaven

Johann Rist

- 1. O Living Bread from heaven, How well You feed Your guest! The gifts that You have given Have filled my heart with rest. Oh, wondrous food of blessing, Oh, cup that heals our woes! My heart, this gift possessing, With praises overflows.
- 2. My Lord, You here have led me To this most holy place And with Yourself have fed me The treasures of Your grace; For You have freely given What earth could never buy, The bread of life from heaven, That now I shall not die.
- 3. You gave me all I wanted; This food can death destroy. And You have freely granted The cup of endless joy. My Lord, I do not merit The favor You have shown, And all my soul and spirit Bow down before Your throne.
- 4. Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened With heav'nly food, while here My course on earth is lengthened, To serve with holy fear. And when You call my spirit To leave this world below, I enter, through Your merit, Where joys unmingled flow.

LSB636 Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness Text (sts. 1, 4-5) © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship, Used by permission. LSBHymnLicense.net #100012381.

- 1. Soul, adorn yourself with gladness,
 Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
 Come into the daylight's splendor,
 There with joy your praises render.
 Bless the One whose grace unbounded
 This amazing banquet founded;
 He, though heav'nly, high, and holy,
 Deigns to dwell with you most lowly.
- 2. Hasten as a bride to meet Him,
 And with loving rev'rence greet Him.
 for with words of life immortal
 He is knocking at your portal.
 Open wide the gates before Him,
 Saying, as you there adore Him:
 Grant, Lord, that I now receive You,
 That I nevermore will leave You.

W 3. He who craves a precious treasure
Neither cost nor pain will measure;
But the priceless gifts of heaven
God to us has freely given.
Though the wealth of earth were proffered,
None could buy the gifts here offered:
Christ's true body, for you riven,
And His blood, for you once given.

M 4. Now in faith I humbly ponder
Over this surpassing wonder
That the bread of life is boundless
Though the souls it fees are countless:
With the choicest wine of heaven
Christ's own blood to us is given.
Oh, most glorious consolation,
Pledge and seal of my salvation!

W 5. Jesus, source of lasting pleasure,
Truest friend, and dearest treasure,
Peace beyond all understanding,
Joy into all life expanding:
Humbly now, I bow before You;
Love incarnate, I adore You;
Worthily let me receive You
And, so favored, never leave You.

M 6. Jesus, sun of life, my splendor,
Jesus, friend of friends, most tender,
Jesus, joy of my desiring,
Fount of life, my soul inspiring:
At Your feet I cry, my maker,
Let me be a fit partaker
Of this blessèd food from heaven,
For our good, Your glory, given.

7. Lord, by love and mercy driven,
You once left Your throne in heaven
On the cross for me to languish
And to die in bitter anguish.
To forego all joy and gladness
And to shed Your blood in sadness.

By this blood redeemed and living, Lord, I praise You with thanksgiving.

8. Jesus, bread of life, I pray You,
Let me gladly here obey You.
By Your love I am invited,
Be Your love with love requited;
By this Supper let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.
Through the gift of grace You give me
As Your guest in heav'n receive me.

LSB625 Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread

Johann Rist

- Lord Jesus Christ, life-giving Bread, May I in grace possess You.
 Let me with holy food be fed, In hunger I address You.

 Prepare me well for You, O Lord, And, humbly by my prayer implored, Give me Your grace and mercy.
- 2. To pastures green, Lord, safely guide, To restful waters lead me; Your table well for me provide, Your wounded hand now feed me. Though weary, sinful, sick, and weak, Refuge in You alone I seek, To share Your cup of healing.
- 3. O bread of heav'n, my soul's delight, For full and free remission I come with prayer before Your sight In sorrow and contrition. Your righteousness, Lord, cover me That I receive You worthily, Assured of Your full pardon.
- 4. I do not merit favor, Lord, My weight of sin would break me; In all my guilty heart's discord, O Lord, do not forsake me. In my distress this comforts me That You receive me graciously, O Christ, my Lord of mercy!

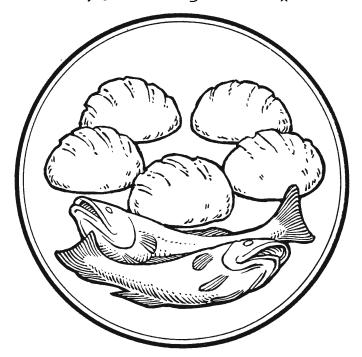
LSB895 Now Thank We All Our God

Martin Rinckart

- Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voices, Who wondrous things has done, In whom His world rejoices; Who from our mothers' arms Has blest us on our way With countless gifts of love And still is ours today.
- 2. Oh, may this bounteous God Through all our life be near us, With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us And keep us in His grace And guide us when perplexed And free us from all ills In this world and the next!

3. All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given, The Son, and Him who reigns With them in highest heaven, The one eternal God, Whom earth and heav'n adore; For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore.

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost



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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

The Teaching Staff at Lutheran South Unity

Principal: Amber Bahr (744-0459)

Teachers: Yvonne Schwantz (8th, ELA), **Michael Cullen** (7th, MS Science),

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: Church Office Manager: Michael Hollman, MM 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 fieldworker Paul Mroczenski
- + For our nation; for our leaders, 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 successful summer activities; for preparations for a new school year that are beginning
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound, including Everett Beck and Doris Yerger
- + For those who are nearing death, including Kenneth Raber and Warren Messmann
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Diane Lammert, Sarah Hollman, Jessica Krause, Bo Stokes, Bill Weinrich, Bob Ockree, John Starks, Marilynn Shafter, Dwight Bieberich, Debra Busche, Willodean Bates, Gloria Gonzalez, Dick Hollman, Michael Petrillo, David Evans, John A. Pless, Joe Harrison, Louisa Porter, Sue Doepner, Ellsworth Smith, Geraldine Woods, Blakely White, Joan Messmann, Ron Rastl, Marlow Hogan, Gregory Hogan, and Jenny Hobby
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages, especially Janice & Ed Grim
- + For the gift of life and for length of days, including Alyssa Seifert
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed
- + 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 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of the 22nd birthday of Alyssa Seifert by her parents DaVanna & David Seifert. The Altar Vases are given in celebration of 66 years of God's marriage blessings to Janice & Ed Grim. 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

<u>CALENDAR</u> August 6. 2023 thru August 12. 2023

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SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church		
	9:00 AM	Installation of New Teachers Pea	ce Lutheran		
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall		
MON.	3:30 PM	Junior Catechesis Confe	Conference Room		
	5:00 PM	LSA Board Meeting	LSUS		
TUES.		•			
WED.	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Chapel		
THURS.		-	-		
FRI.					
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church		
August 13, 2023					
SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service (Healey Willan order begins)	Church		
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall		

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: the Adult Bible Class continues today with the next lesson of the Convention Bible Study. Pastor Punke will be leading it again. Sunday School is on summer break.

LSUS resumes classes on August 14. You might think about how you can volunteer. Talk to Amber.

LCMS CONVENTION is in session as I write this. I have tried to keep up with Convention business. Regarding elections, I can report that First Vice-President Peter Lange was re-elected. Central Region Vice-President Ben Ball was re-elected, too, and he was selected to be the Second Vice-President of Synod. Secretary John Sias was re-elected as Synod Secretary. All good. The Synod recognized church fellowship with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of South Sudan/Sudan (and others). I (and I'm sure Pat Nuffer) especially rejoice at this acknowledgment. The issue of Concordia University, Texas was moved forward by passing a resolution (7-03) to "Call Concordia University Texas Leadership to Repentance." It affirms the Synod's privilege to have its universities follow the bylaws. President Harrison stands ready to pronounce absolution to the leaders should they repent and rescind their unconstitutional actions. That was a big issue. There were some excellent essays and catechetical studies presented, and there were moving statements by various individuals, including Päivi Räsänen and Bishop Juhana Pohjola of Finland. The essays and remarks will be in the Proceedings; or you can listen on the archived livestreams. Kevin will have much more to report when he returns.

VOLUNTEERS: Do you like to paint? If so, can you spare a couple of hours to keep Zion beautiful? The trustees plan to stain the exterior church doors in late summer or early fall. Zion will provide the materials. If you can help with the labor, let Kevin Leininger know so we can schedule a workday at 260-615-9896.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE: Ephesians 4:29— "Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear." Last week's verse was 1 John 4:18.

LSUS: Kindergarten classes are in need of start-up supplies. Since we are starting a second kindergarten class, and since both teachers will be new to our school, these start-up supplies are needed. What a great way to support our school! You can use the following link, www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1KFC7JNI1MHAU?ref_=wl_share (it contains only the items needed, and it will tell you how many are needed, if more than one, and how many have been purchased thus far) or, if it is easier, monetary donations will be accepted. You can write a check to LSUS and mark it for Kindergarten supplies.

CLHS has immediate openings for an Grant Writer, a Cafeteria Assistant, School Counselor, Boys & Girl Swim Coach and a 2nd Shift Custodian .To learn more about these positions and to apply, please visit www.clhscadets.com/employment.

CROSS CONNECTIONS is looking to fill positions for a Full-Time Professional Counselor and a Part-Time Contracted Professional Counselor. The requirements and expectations of these positions are different. Please send your resume and cover letter to lisabartelheim@crossconnectionscounseling.com if you are interested in either of these opportunities.

ST. PAUL, PREBLE is celebrating her 150th anniversary on Saturday, August 19th, 2023, with a service at 4 PM (at St. Paul, Preble, 4510 W 750 N, Decatur) and a supper at 6 PM (at the Zion, Friedheim Parish Hall). The members of our Decatur circuit LCMS Churches are invited to attend both service and supper to celebrate with us. The supper will feature live music and a presentation by Dr. Cameron MacKenzie of CTS-Ft. Wayne, who will be speaking on F. C. D. Wyneken. The supper is \$10/person and will be catered by Norm Schueler. On the menu: Caesar salad, rolls and butter, cheesy potatoes, green beans, swiss steak, broasted chicken, ice cream, and dessert. We ask that all tickets be purchased in advance. For tickets, please write stpaulpreble@gmail.com or call 260-226-0375.

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	DAILY LECTIONARY	Evening Prayer
Matthew 14:13-21	The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost	Isaiah 55:1-5
1 Corinthians 1:1-25	Monday	1 Samuel 20:24-42
1 Corinthians 1:26-2:16	Tuesday	1 Samuel 24:1-22
1 Corinthians 3:1-23	Wednesday	1 Samuel 25:1-22
1 Corinthians 4:1-21	Thursday	1 Samuel 25:23-44
1 Corinthians 5:1-13	Friday	1 Samuel 26:1-25
1 Corinthians 6:1-20	Saturday	1 Samuel 28:3-25

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:

[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 <u>Matthew</u>, our synod president, and <u>Richard</u>, 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

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost Romans 10:5-17



What Doctor Luther Says:

About the Full Baskets of Gospel through the Languages

[L]et us be sure of this: we will not long preserve the gospel without the languages. The languages are the sheath in which this sword of the Spirit [Eph. 6:17] is contained; they are the casket in which this jewel is enshrined; they are the vessel in which this wine is held; they are the larder in which this food is stored; and, as the gospel itself points out [Matt. 14:20], they are the baskets in which are kept these loaves and fishes and fragments. If through our neglect we let the languages go (which God forbid!), we shall not only lose the gospel, but the time will come when we shall be unable either to speak or write a correct Latin or German. As proof and warning of this, let us take the deplorable and dreadful example of the universities and monasteries, in which men have not only unlearned the gospel, but have in addition so corrupted the Latin and German languages that the miserable folk have been fairly turned into beasts, unable to speak or write a correct German or Latin, and have well-nigh lost their natural reason to boot.

For this reason even the apostles themselves considered it necessary to set down the New Testament and hold it fast in the Greek language, doubtless in order to preserve it for us there safe and sound as in a sacred ark. For they foresaw all that was to come, and now has come to pass; they knew that if it was left exclusively to men's memory, wild and fearful disorder and confusion and a host of varied interpretations, fancies, and doctrines would arise in the Christian church, and that this could not be prevented and the simple folk protected unless the New Testament were set down with certainty in written language. Hence, it is inevitable that unless the languages remain, the gospel must finally perish.

Luther's Works, 45:360.



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Sunday, August 6th 2pm-until supplies are gone

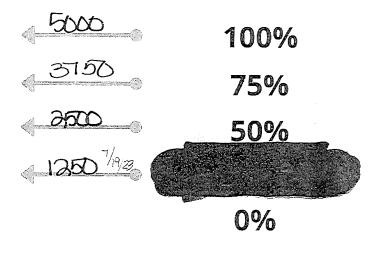
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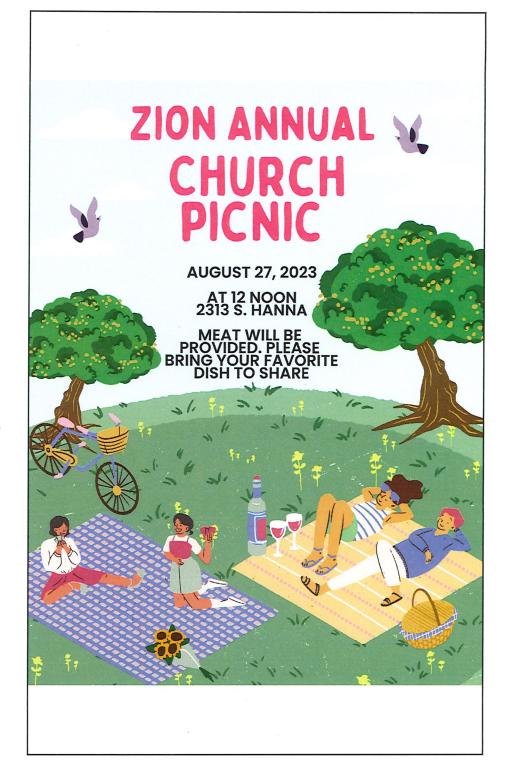
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Proceeds from this event help to pay the broadcast fees on Fort Wayne's NBC station, which airs the weekly Worship Anew program. This program is a cherished source of comfort and hope to those who are not able to attend worship in person.

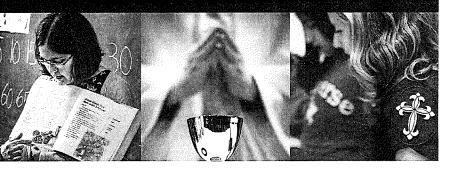
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LIFE NEWS - AUGUST 2023



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Life Newsbytes

Abortion pill dispensaries are on the increase following the Supreme Court's ruling in Dobbs overturning Roe v. Wade. Since that time, facilities offering chemical abortions also increased—and prescribers continue to flout approved FDA gestational limits. In addition, due to so-called shield laws, abortion pill prescribers and Honeybee Health pharmacy are threatening to ship the drugs into states that protect preborn children, while law enforcement ignores abortion pills flooding into the United States from unregulated, unapproved sources. In April of 2021, under the guise of the COVID-19 pandemic, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration expanded its safety regulations known as REMS to allow for limited mail-order pharmacy distribution ... the Biden FDA had further weakened the REMS by eliminating the in-person dispensing requirement and enabling the abortion pill to be permanently shipped by mail. Then, in January 2023, the Biden FDA further gutted the FDA's safety protocols on the drug by announcing it would allow retail pharmacies to dispense it. Today, abortion pill prescribers continue to flout the FDA's safety regulations by prescribing the pills well past the FDA-approved gestational limit, promoting unapproved protocols or veering away from FDA-approved rules by dispensing abortion pills to women who are not pregnant—and sometimes leaving women to deal with dangerous ectopic pregnancies on their own. (Live Action News, 7/27/23)



Speaking up For Life

"God's Son began His life weak and helpless, laid in a feeding trough. He began His ministry weak and tempted, vulnerable in the desert. In a weakened state from the scourging, Jesus died on the cross, making you right with God, filling you with His strength. And when God supplies your strength, you are strong, indeed." Marie MacPherson, author

"Why bother living today as a child of God, striving to follow the Lord's will in words and actions in spite of trials? Why bother showing love and forgiveness toward those who hurt you? Why share the news of a Savior when it seems to have little effect? Because we live in the light of Jesus' love. Our sins are paid for and gone. Jesus' victory is ours. He promises: I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life' (John 8:12). In His light every difficulty, no matter how intimidating in our eyes, fades away. Problems become opportunities for His glory to shine all the more!" Daily Devotion, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Sister Lakes, Michigan

"Fostering may result from brokenness, but it also provides opportunity for Gospel-motivated courage and compassion." Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life

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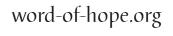
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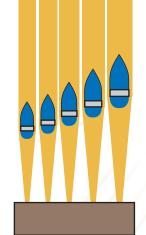


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