

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00 am Sunday, September 17, 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!**

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.

Introit of the Day



[Antiphon] *Deliver me from my ene- | mies, O LORD! || I have | fled to you for | •refuge•!*
|| Teach me to do your will, for you | are my God! || Let your good Spirit lead |
me on lev- el | ground!

Verse 1: **Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my | pleas for •mercy•! || In your**
faithfulness answer me, | in your right- eous- | ness! || Enter not into judg-
ment | with your •servant•, || for no one living is | •righteous• be- fore__ |
you.

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!

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Kyrie



Lord, have mer-cy up - on __ us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.



Lord __ have mer - cy up - on __ us.

Gloria



Glo-ry be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will •toward• men.



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 - - might - y.



O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ, O Lord God,




Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, that tak - est a - way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on __ us: Thou that tak - est a - way the sin of the



world; re - ceive our prayer Thou that sit - test at the right hand of God the



Fa-ther, have mer-cy up-on us. For Thou on-ly art ho-ly, Thou on-ly art the Lord. Thou on-ly, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost, art most high in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

Salutation

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir-it.

Collect for the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost: *O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your Church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*



A ————— men!

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

Old Testament Reading..... Genesis 50:15-21
 [After the reading] *This is the word of the Lord.* Thanks be to God.

Epistle of the Day Romans 14:1-12
 [After the reading] *This is the word of the Lord.* Thanks be to God.

[Rise]

Alleluia Sequence

[Deacon] *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! "If you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you." Alleluia!*

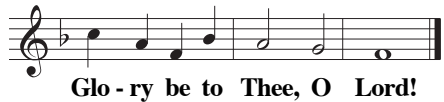


Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le lu-ia!

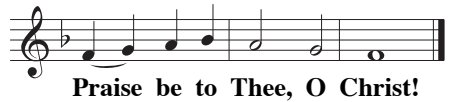
Holy Gospel St. Matthew 18:21-35

[The Gospel is announced.]

[The Gospel is proclaimed.]



Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord!



Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

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!

[Be Seated]

Hymn of the Day Come Down, O Love Divine Burgundy Hymn 501

Sermon

Rite for the Retirement of a Debt

[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, Voluntary**

[Rise] **Offertory** **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 un-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. ___

Common Preface, Sanctus

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

Ho - ly, ___ ho - ly, ___ ho - ly, ___
Lord God of Sab - a - oth; heav - en and ___ earth are
full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

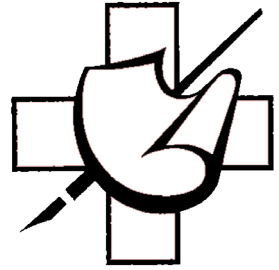


Second illustrated edition of Valentin Babst's publication of Luther's Small Catechism, 1545

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Retirement of a Debt

1. This rite may be used when a congregation has paid off a mortgage, retired a debt, or fulfilled some significant financial obligation.
2. The rite occurs in the Divine Service before the Prayer of the Church or before the Prayers in the Daily Office.
3. The original copy of the cancelled debt should be placed in the congregation's archives.



Representatives or a representative of the congregation step(s) forward and present(s) a completed debt agreement to the pastor.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, with joy and gratitude we announce today the retirement of the mortgage debt for the Parish Hall of Zion Lutheran Church including Bauer Hall, the Great Hall, and office spaces.

If desired, a fire may be built in a large brazier and a facsimile of the completed debt agreement burned. While it is burning, the pastor says:

In thanksgiving to God, we now burn this mortgage in the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Stand

While the mortgage is being burned, the congregation may join in the singing of an appropriate hymn of praise.

LSB797 Praise the Almighty, st. 5

Johann Daniel Herrnschmidt

**Praise, all you people, the name so holy
Of Him who does such wondrous things!
All that has being, to praise Him solely,
With happy heart its amen sings.
Children of God, with angel host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Alleluia, alleluia!**

The following collect is prayed.

Let us pray. Lord God, heavenly Father, we give thanks that You have guided us in wisdom and given us the courage and resources for fulfilling this mortgage obligation. With gratitude we remember our years of planning and work. Continue to grant us unity of counsel, purity of intention, and the holy purpose to nurture Your people by Word and Sacrament and to extend Your Church for the salvation of the world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

All return to their places.

The service continues with the PRAYER OF THE CHURCH in the Divine Service or the Prayers in the Daily Office.

Bless-ed is — He that com - eth 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

[Vs. 1 & 2] O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the
 sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

[Vs. 3] O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the
 sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - - - men.

[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns "Forgive Our Sins" **Burgundy Hymn 843**

Jesus Christ, Our Blessed **Burgundy Hymn 627**

[All sing stanzas 1 & 2; Men sing stanzas 3, 5, & 7;
 Women sing stanzas 4, 6, & 8; All sing stanzas 9 & 10.]

[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- tles and the Glo- ry of Thy peo- ple Is - - - - ra- el.



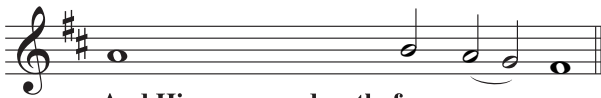
- 4. Glo— ry__ be to the
Father, and to__ the __ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



- 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 I Leave All Things Burgundy Hymn 719

Postlude

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Readings for the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Old Testament Reading is Genesis 50:15-21

When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died: "Say to Joseph, "Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you." And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

The Epistle is Romans 14:1-12

As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand.

One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to

me, and every tongue shall confess to God.” So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

The Gospel is Matthew 18:21-35

Peter came up and said to [Jesus], “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven times.

“Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’” He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

Hymns for the Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

LSB501 Come Down, O Love Divine

Bianco da Siena

1. Come down, O Love divine; Seek Thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with Thine own ardor glowing;
O Comforter, draw near; Within my heart appear,
And kindle it, Thy holy flame bestowing.
2. O let it freely burn, Till worldly passions turn
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let Thy glorious light Shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.
3. Let holy charity Mine outward vesture be
And lowliness become mine inner clothing—
True lowliness of heart, Which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.
4. And so the yearning strong, With which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the pow'r of human telling;
No soul can guess His grace Till it become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes His dwelling.

LSB843 “Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive”

Rosamond E. Herklots

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1. Forgive our sins as we forgive You taught us, Lord, to pray,
But you alone can grant us grace To live the words we say.
2. How can your pardon reach and bless The unforgiving heart
That broods on wrongs and will not let Old bitterness depart?
3. In blazing light your cross reveals The truth we dimly knew:
What trivial debts are owed to us; How great our debt to you!
4. Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls And bid resentment cease;
Then, bound to all in bonds of love Our lives will spread your peace.

LSB627 Jesus Christ, our Blessed Savior

John Hus; German version, Martin Luther

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1. Jesus Christ, our blessed Savior, Turned away God's wrath forever;
By His bitter grief and woe He saved us from evil foe.

2. As His pledge of love undying, He, this precious food supplying,
Gives His body with the bread, And with the wine the blood He shed.
- M 3. Jesus here Himself is sharing; Heed then how you are preparing,
For if you do not believe, His judgment then you shall receive.
- W 4. Praise the Father, who from heaven To His own this food has given,
Who, to mend what we have done, Gave into death His only Son.
- M 5. Firmly hold with faith unshaken That this food is to be taken
By the sick who are distressed, By hearts that long for peace and rest.
- W 6. Agony and bitter labor Were the cost of God's high favor;
Do not come if you suppose You need not Him who died and rose.
- M 7. Christ says: "Come, all you that labor, And receive My grace and favor:
Those who feel no pain or ill Need no physician's help or skill.
- W 8. "For what purpose was My dying If not for your justifying?
And what use this precious food If you yourself were pure and good?"
9. If your heart this truth professes And your mouth your sin confesses,
You will be your Savior's guest, Be at His banquet truly blest.
10. Let this food your faith so nourish That its fruit of love may flourish
And your neighbor learn from you How much God's wondrous love can do.

LSB719 I Leave All Things to God's Direction

Salomo Franck

1. I leave all things to God's direction;
He loves me both in joy and woe.
His will is good, sure His affection;
His tender love is true, I know.
My fortress and my rock is He:
What pleases God, that pleases me.
2. God knows what must be done to save me;
His love for me will never cease.
Upon His hands He did engrave me
With purest gold of loving grace.
His will supreme must ever be:
What pleases God, that pleases me.
3. My God desires the soul's salvation;
My soul He, too, desires to save.
Therefore with Christian resignation
All earthly troubles I will brave.

His will be done eternally:
What pleases God, that pleases me.

4. My God has all things in His keeping;
He is the ever faithful friend.
He gives me laughter after weeping,
And all His ways in blessings end.
His love endures eternally:
What pleases God, that pleases me.

The Sixteenth 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)
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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 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 those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound
- + For those who are on hospice care, including Doris Yerger, Bryce Shull, Kenneth Raber, and Warren Messmann
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Gloria Gonzalez, Sarah Hollman, Marilyn Shafter, Debra Busche, Jessica Krause, Bill Weinrich, John Starks, Dwight Bieberich, Willodean Bates, Dick Hollman, Bob Ockree, Michael Petrillo, 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
- + For the gift of life and for length of days, especially Annalee Kaiser.
- + 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, including Richard & Lois Kaiser and Sandy Kaiser.
- + 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 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of the 14th birthday of Annalee Kaiser by her grandparents Dave & Janeen Kaiser. The Altar Vases are given in loving memory of Richard & Lois Kaiser and Sandy Kaiser by Robert & Shelley Kaiser, Dave & Janeen Kaiser, and families. 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

September 17, 2023 thru September 23, 2023

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Education Hour	Various
MON.	10:30 AM	Field Education Assignments	CTSFW
	3:30 PM	Jr. Catechesis	Conference Room
TUES.			
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion	Conference Room
	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Chapel
THURS.	10:30 AM	Book of Concord study	Conference Room
FRI.			
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church

September 24, 2023

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Education Hour	Various

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: the Adult Bible Class continues today with the Gospel of St. Mark with Dr. Voelz in Bauer Hall. Sunday School continues in the Assoc. Pastor's Office

WE REJOICE every Sunday at the great good news of Jesus Christ, crucified and risen for our salvation. Today at Zion we rejoice because of God's goodness ... our mortgage is paid off. The rite of the Retirement of a Debt will follow the sermon today.

DIAPER GIVE-A-WAY: we helped 201 families with diaper needs and gave away 10,620 diapers. Thanks to everyone who helped reveal Christ's love to the community.

BIRTHDAY TREATS: Mrs. Ernestine Rogers will be giving out treats for her birthday next Sunday, September 24th. Please stop by to see her and get your treat from her.

TRUNK OR TREAT FALL EVENT: Trunk or Treat is a fun way to meet new people. How about joining in. Sign up for your spot in the parking lot, October 29th, at 5:00 PM. The sheet is located at Julie's table. Then figure out your costume, get your treats, and get ready.

FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN begins September 27 and runs through November 5. Laikyn and Rachel Muehl will again be spearheading Zion's effort (thanks ladies). They will be picking a date for Zion and then asking you to sign up for a time to pray. Of course, you may talk to people who may come up to you, but the main purpose is to pray for life with prayers of thanksgiving for what God has done recently — nationally and in Indiana — to slow the number of abortions, and continued prayers to change the minds of abortionists and those seeking abortion.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE: 1 Samuel 12:24 — "Only fear the Lord and serve him faithfully with all your heart. For consider what great things he has done for you." Last week's verse was 2 Samuel 7:22.

LSUS: Fall clubs will run for 6 weeks. They will take place the weeks of October 2-6, October 9-13, October 16-20, October 30-November 3, November 6-10, and November 13-17. There will be NO CLUBS the week of October 23-27th. If you are interested in hosting a club, please fill out the form online (<https://bitly.ws/UyFT>) and I will send you an email confirmation. Please note: if you choose to host a club, you are responsible for all materials needed for your club. Please fill out the form by Wednesday, September 20th. If you have any questions, feel free to email me (Danielle Ramsey) at dramsey@lsusfw.org. Thank you!

LWML (Lutheran Women in Mission), South Fort Wayne Zone, invites you to their Fall Gathering on October 14th at Peace Lutheran Church, 4900 Fairfield. Registration and a light breakfast begins at 8:30am (fee of \$6.00 at the door), with program and business meeting to follow.

THE WOMEN OF BETHLEHEM will be having a Rummage Sale at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 3705 S. Anthony Blvd. on Thursday and Friday, September 28-29 from 9:00 am- 4:00 pm, and on Saturday, September 30 from 9:00 am-12 noon, with a \$3.00 Bag Sale on Saturday.

CLHS has an immediate opening for Head Boys Volleyball Coach, School Counselor, Cafeteria Assistant, Head Swim Coach. See full details at clhscadets.com/about/employment. Please forward this information on to anyone who might be interested

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.

PRAISE LUTHERAN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR We're looking for this position to serve the church and childcare center by providing overall direction to the property, legal, financial, personnel, and business affairs of the congregation by providing leadership to and supervision of staff and volunteers involved in this ministry. If you're interested, a job description can be provided at your request. To request a job description or to apply, please email a resume and cover letter admin@praiselutheran.org.

LISTEN TO LUTHERAN PROGRAMMING You can listen to Issues, Etc. live or on-demand at www.issuesetc.org or on the LPR mobile app or to KFUO at KFUO.org.

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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 18:21-35

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 50:15-21

1 Timothy 1:1-20

Monday

Nehemiah 1:1-2:10

1 Timothy 2:1-15

Tuesday

Nehemiah 2:11-20; 4:1-6

1 Timothy 3:1-16

Wednesday

Nehemiah 4:7-23

1 Timothy 4:1-16

Thursday

Nehemiah 5:1-16; 6:1-9, 15-16

1 Timothy 5:1-16

Friday

Nehemiah 7:1-4; 8:1-18

1 Timothy 5:17-6:2

Saturday

Nehemiah 9:1-21

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 reasonable 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 Festival of St. Michael and All Angels (transferred)

Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3

Revelation 12:7-12

Luke 10:17-20



What Doctor Luther Says:

About Forgiving a Christian Brother from the Heart

Joseph says here [to his brothers]: “I do not want your burdened conscience to be tormented and afflicted, but I order you to be content with my goodwill and to be of good cheer. For I shall gladly forgive you this sin. There is no reason for you to be consumed by grief. Do not be troubled.” It is a very beautiful absolution.

“And let there be no anger in your eyes.” That is, “Do not think that I am angry.” “Cheer up, and do not lose courage! You have no cause for sadness and grief, as a guilty conscience is necessarily distressed and trembles. For from this source there arise all uneasiness and grief of conscience ...

There is no heavier grief than sorrow of heart, for it is death and hell itself. Therefore it must be counteracted, whether it disturbs you or someone else. Let anyone who can do so close hell and open heaven. Then heaven must be opened, and hell must be closed lest the sick heart be consumed by awareness of sin and grief over it.

Thus Joseph deals here in a most kindly and friendly manner with his brothers to give them more courage. For he was a wise man. He had an understanding of the struggles of conscience. Therefore he applies remedies which soothe the grief. He applies them at the right time. ...

This indeed is what it means to forgive a brother his fault from the whole heart (cf. Matt. 18:35), especially when he is distressed and grieving. ... [Therefore,] when [Joseph’s brothers] have been disturbed and terrified, he pardons them with such great clemency and affability that he even weeps with them as they weep.

Luther’s Works, 8:25-6.



**Beginning September 10,
CHOIR REHEARSALS
RESUME ON:**

**SUNDAYS
AT 8:05 am**

**In the church balcony.
All are welcome.**

**Zion Ev. Lutheran Church
Presents**

Dr. Craig Cramer

**University Organist Emeritus,
The University of Notre Dame**

In Recital



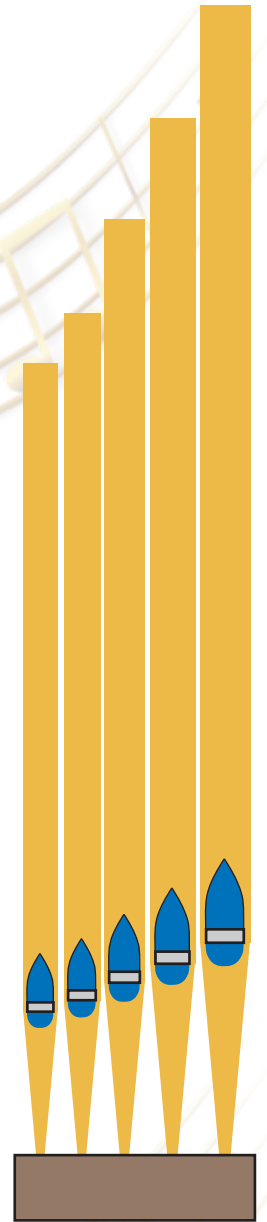
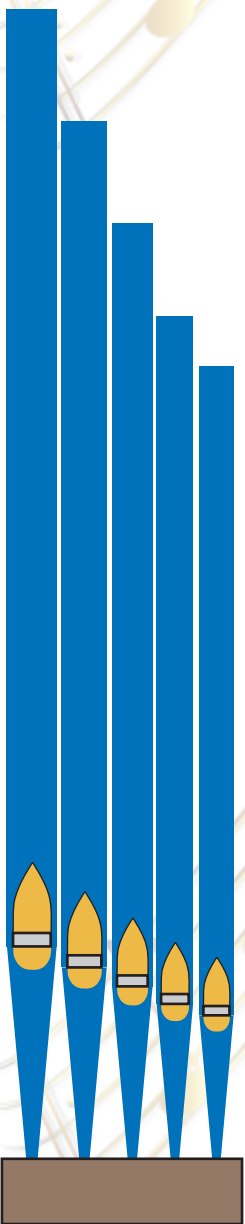
**An Afternoon of Organ Music
On the Four Manual / 85 stop Organ**

at

**Zion Ev. Lutheran Church
2313 Hanna Street - Fort Wayne, Indiana**

Sunday, October 8, 2023 at 3pm

Admission is free and the recital is open to the public.



LSUS NOTES

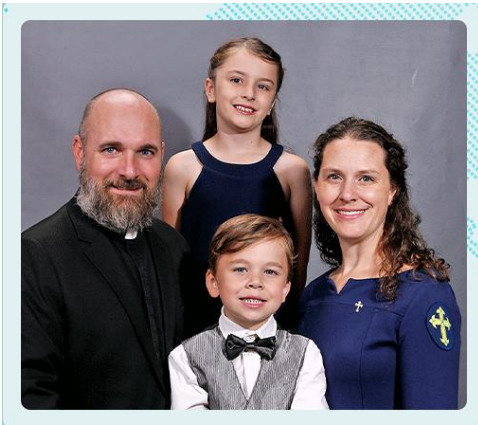
Praying for You!



Please pray for these students/staff:

Jariah	Lilliana
Santino	Max
Royce	Josef
Callen	Leighlani
Josue	Mrs. Johnson - Health
Avari	Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Student Chapel Offerings



Thursday Chapel Offerings and \$1 Jean Friday collections by our LSUS students and families make a big impact around the world! If every student brought a quarter a week or whatever loose change is laying around their house it will make a big impact all over Fort Wayne and the World. September thru November offerings will go to Rev. Bryan and Deaconess Keah Payne, missionaries to Tanzania and the Honor Flight of NE Indiana.

Keah Payne served as financial administrator here at LSUS while her husband studied at Concordia Seminary. Their children also attended LSUS during that time. Together they serve the Lord in Tanzania. Bryan is a theological educator at a new seminary in Shinyanga, Tanzania, where he teaches classes and assists in forming pastors for service in Africa. Keah serves alongside the deaconesses of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania's South-East of Lake Victoria Diocese and supports their professional development.

The Honor Flight's mission is to transport America's Veterans to Washington D.C. to visit those memorials dedicated to honor the service and sacrifices of themselves and their friends.



Meet The Staff



Lutheran South Unity School has been blessed with a new experienced teacher in our new “step up” kindergarten class. Ms. Karen Koehlert has taught infants to third grade in Lutheran Schools in Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, and New Mexico. In these schools she has served teacher, Interim Principal, Preschool Director, Athletic Director, VBS leader, and Women’s Bible Study Leader.

Ms. Koehlert attended Immanuel Lutheran School, East Dundee, IL., for her elementary school years. Her high school years were spent at Valley Lutheran High School. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Concordia University, Wisconsin. Then she worked on her Masters of Arts degree from Concordia University, Portland.

Currently she lives in Columbia City with a calico cat named Nutmeg. She grew up in a suburb of Chicago and is a diehard Cubs fan. Her parents are still living. She also has an older and younger brother, 2 sister-in-laws, 3 nephews, and 4 nieces. 3 of these are triplets!

In her spare times Ms. Koehlert enjoys crossword and jigsaw puzzles, watching sports, spending time with her family and friends, and listening to contemporary Christian music.

Ms. Koehlert has some thoughts she would like to share:

Children are a gift from God. Consider your priorities.

Be good to yourself. You don’t have to be perfect because you’re loved and forgiven.

Encouragement Found in Scriptures & our theme:

And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. —1 John 3:23

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2023

5:00 PPM

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Author, Lecturer, and
President of Concordia University, Nebraska

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Please RSVP by September 22

Please join us!

September 28, 2023



10th Annual
Elsie Rossman Memorial
Golf Outing



Join us for our 10th Annual Elsie Rossman Memorial Golf Outing on Sept. 28, 2023! Register before Aug. 28 for our early bird discount!

Elsie Rossman Memorial Golf Outing **Thursday, Sept. 28, 2023**

Autumn Ridge Golf Club
11420 Auburn Rd, Fort Wayne, IN 46845
10:00 a.m. Registration
11:00 a.m. Luncheon
12:00 p.m. Shotgun Start

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.

Not a golfer? Learn more about sponsorship opportunities!

Contact (260) 471-5683 or
gina@worshipanew.org for more information

