

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00 am Sunday, June 25, 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



[Antiphon] *For you have delivered my | soul from death, || yes, my | feet from fall-___ | ing.
|| that I may walk | be- fore God || in the | light__ of__ | life.*

Verse 1: **When I | am a- afraid, || I | put my trust in | you. || In God, whose word I
praise, in God I trust; I shall not | be a- afraid. || What | can flesh do to | me?**

Verse 2: *In God, whose | word I praise, || in the | Lord, whose word I | praise, || in God
I trust; I shall not | be a- afraid. || What | can man do to | me?*

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



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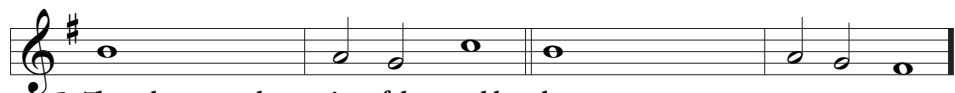
Gloria



1. *Glory be to God on high:* **And on earth . . . peace good will •toward• men**
2. **We praise Thee, we** we glorify Thee,
bless Thee, we worship Thee, we give thanks to | Thee, for Thy great •glory•.



3. **O Lord God, heav'n- ly King,** God, the Fa- ther Al-___ •mighty•,
4. **O Lord, the only-
begotten Son, Je- sus Christ;** O Lord God,
Lamb of God, . . . Son___ of the •Father•,



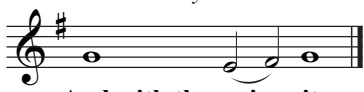
5. **That takest away the . . sin •of the• world,** have mercy up - - - - - on___ us.
6. **Thou that takest
away the sin •of the• world,** re - - - - - ceive our •prayer•
7. **Thou that sittest at
the right hand of God the •Father•,** have mercy up - - - - - on___ us.



8. **For Thou •only• art •holy•** Thou on - - - ly art the Lord.
9. **Thou, only, O** art most
Christ, with the . . . Ho - - ly Ghost; high in the | •glory• of God the •Father• A-men.

Salutation

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir— it.

Collect for the Third Sunday after Pentecost: *O God, because Your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us aware of Your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in Your eternal love; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*



Collect for Presentation of the Augsburg Confession: *Almighty God, You have built Your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Jesus Christ as the chief cornerstone, and You have preserved the proclamation of Your pure Word through the confession at Augsburg. Keep us firm in the true faith this day also. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may confess Your Son before others, knowing that He confesses us before You in heaven; through the same 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 +

Old Testament Reading **Jeremiah 20:7-13**

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

Epistle of the Day **Romans 6:12-23**

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

[Rise]

Alleluia Sequence

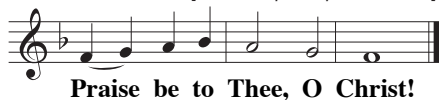
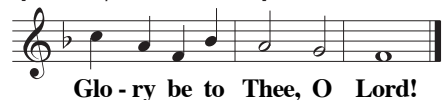
[Deacon] *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! "So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven." Alleluia!*



Holy Gospel **St. Matthew 10:5a, 21-33**

[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!

[Be Seated]

Hymn of the Day Lord of our Life Burgundy Hymn 659

Sermon

[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.

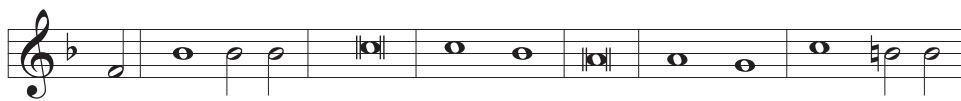
Common Preface, Sanctus

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'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry; Ho - san - na Ho - san - na, Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He, Bless - ed is He, Bless - ed is He that
 com - eth in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the highest.

[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 -



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 Rejoice, My Heart Burgundy Hymn 737

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


I Trust, O Lord, Your Holy Name..... Burgundy Hymn 734

[Rise for stanza 5.]

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.



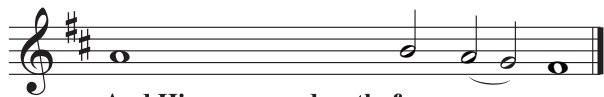
4. Glo— ry__ be to the
Father, and to__ the __ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



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 In God my Faithful God Burgundy Hymn 745

Postlude

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Readings for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

The Old Testament Reading is Jeremiah 20:7-13

O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived;
you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed.

I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me.
For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, "Violence and destruction!"
For the word of the LORD has become for me
a reproach and derision all day long.

If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name,"
there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones,
and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.

For I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side!

"Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"

say all my close friends, watching for my fall.

"Perhaps he will be deceived;

then we can overcome him and take our revenge on him."

But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior;

therefore my persecutors will stumble;

they will not overcome me.

They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed.

Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten.

O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous,

who sees the heart and the mind,

let me see your vengeance upon them,

for to you have I committed my cause.

Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD!

For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.

The Epistle is Romans 6:12-23

Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to

righteousness? But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Gospel is Matthew 10:5a, 21-33

These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, ... “Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, and you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

“A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

“So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.”

Hymns for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

LSB659 Lord of our Life

Matthäus Apelles von Löwenstern

1. Lord of our life and God of our salvation,
Star of our night and Hope of ev'ry nation:
Hear and receive Your Church's supplication,
Lord God Almighty.
2. See round Your ark the hungry billows curling;
See how Your foes their banners are unfurling
And with great spite their fiery darts are hurling,
O Lord, preserve us.
3. Lord, be our light when worldly darkness veils us;
Lord, be our shield when earthly armor fails us;
And in the day when hell itself assails us,
Grant us Your peace, Lord:
4. Peace in our hearts, where sinful thoughts are raging,
Peace in Your Church, our troubled souls assuaging,
Peace when the world its endless war is waging,
Peace in Your heaven.

LSB737 Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing

Paul Gerhardt

1. Rejoice, my heart, be glad and sing, A cheerful trust maintain;
For God, the source of ev'rything, Your portion shall remain.
2. He is your treasure, He your joy, Your life and light and Lord,
Your counselor when doubts annoy, Your shield and great reward.
- W 3. Why spend the day in blank despair, In restless thought the night?
On your Creator cast your care; He makes your burdens light.
- M 4. Did not His love and truth and pow'r Guard ev'ry childhood day?
And did He not in threat'ning hour Turn dreaded ills away?
5. He only will with patience chide, His rod falls gently down;
And all your sins He casts aside In ocean depths to drown.
6. His wisdom never plans in vain Nor falters nor mistakes.
All that His counsels may ordain A blessed ending makes.
7. Upon your lips, then, lay your hand, And trust His guiding love;
Then like a rock your peace shall stand Here and in heav'n above.

LSB734 I Trust, O Lord, Your Holy Name

Adam Reusner

1. I trust, O Lord, Your holy name;
O let me not be put to shame
Nor let me be confounded.
My faith, O Lord, Be in Your Word Forever firmly grounded.
2. Bow down Your gracious ear to me
And hear my cry, my prayer, my plea;
Make haste for my protection,
For woes and fear Surround me here. Help me in my affliction.
3. You are my strength, my shield, my rock,
My fortress that withstands each shock,
My help, my life, my tower,
My battle sword, Almighty Lord— Who can resist Your power?
4. With You, O Lord, I cast my lot;
O faithful God, forsake me not,
To You my soul commending.
Lord, be my stay, And lead the way Now and when life is ending.
- △ 5. All honor, praise, and majesty
To Father, Son, and Spirit be,
Our God forever glorious,
In whose rich grace We run our race Till we depart victorious.

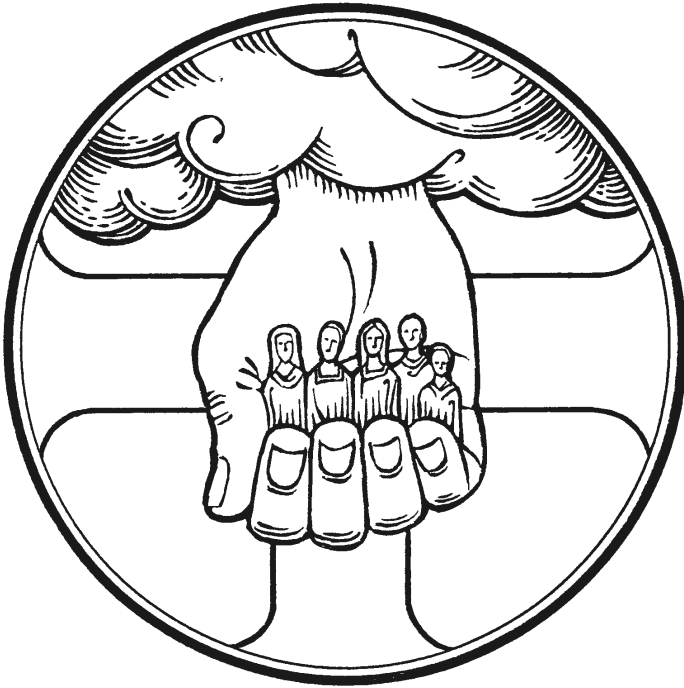
LSB745 In God, My Faithful God

Veer schöne nye Geistlike Leder, Lübeck

1. In God, my faithful God, I trust when dark my road;
Great woes may overtake me, Yet He will not forsake me.
My troubles He can alter; His hand lets nothing falter.
2. My sins fill me with care, Yet I will not despair.
I build on Christ, who loves me; From this rock nothing moves me.
To Him I will surrender, To Him, my soul's defender.
3. If death my portion be, It brings great gain to me;
It speeds my life's endeavor To live with Christ forever.
He gives me joy in sorrow, Come death now or tomorrow.
4. O Jesus Christ, my Lord, So meek in deed and word,
You suffered death to save us Because Your love would have us
Be heirs of heav'nly gladness When ends this life of sadness.

5. “So be it,” then, I say With all my heart each day.
Dear Lord, we all adore You, We sing for joy before You.
Guide us while here we wander Until we praise You yonder.

The Fourth 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: 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; and for called and placed workers as they go forth to serve
- + 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 our Zion students through the years
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound, including Everett Beck and Doris Yerger
- + For those who are nearing death, including Hilda Volmerding, Kenneth Raber, and Warren Messmann
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Diane Lammert, Jessica Krause, Bill Weinrich, Bob Ockree, John Starks, Marilyn Shafter, Dwight Bieberich, Debra Busche, Willodean Bates, Gloria Gonzalez, Dick Hollman, Ruth Reid, David Evans, John A. Pless, Joe Harrison, Louisa Porter, 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
- + For the gift of life and for length of days, especially Michael & Jonathan Thomas
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit, including Ned Hollman
- + 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 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of Bryce Shull's 102nd birthday (Wednesday, June 28). The Altar Vases are given in celebration of Michael & Jonathan Thomas' 23rd birthdays by Judy & Marty Thomas. The Baptismal Bud Vase is given by Ardis Behrendt in celebration of the 27th baptism anniversary of Ned Hollman. 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

June 25, 2023 thru July 1, 2023

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Congregational Assembly	Bauer Hall
MON.	3:30 PM	Junior Catechesis	Conference Room
	5:30 PM	CEA Board of Directors	CLHS
TUES.	12 NOON	Administrative Council	Conference Room
WED.	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Chapel
THURS.			
FRI.			
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church

July 2, 2023

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: No Education Hour today. Today is Zion's biannual Congregational Assembly, right after the Divine Service. Business includes next year's budget, elections to congregational offices, and updates on the Ministry Clarity project. Copies of the budget proposal and ballot will be available in Bauer Hall. Next Sunday, the Adult Bible Class will return to the Convention Bible Study and consider it for several weeks. Sunday School is on summer break.

TODAY, Paul, our fieldworker will continue his training, leading us in the Introit.

THE ALTAR GUILD will hold a Brunch & Training session on July 29th at 9:30 AM in Bauer Hall. The Altar Guild does the important work of caring for Zion's holy space and the holy vessels, paraments, and vestments used during the Divine Service. If you are on the Guild or would like to join the Guild, please come to this event. For more information, contact DaVanna (260-494-0803).

CONVENTION: The first ballot voting for Synod President is over. Hopefully, we'll know this Sunday who the President is for the next three (or perhaps four) years. If not, Kevin and Pastor will need to vote again in a second ballot. The National Convention in Milwaukee runs from July 29 to August 3. Reports and items of interest to the Synod and numerous overtures submitted by the various eligible entities are in the Workbook. The resolutions resulting from the Floor Committees' work, late reports, and late overtures are all now available in the first edition of Today's Business. Both publications can be downloaded at www.lcms.org/convention/national/publications.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE: Colossians 3:12 — "Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience" Last week's verse was Ephesians 5:8.

GRIEFSHARE, a grief recovery support group, will be held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 3705 S. Anthony Blvd., in room 2 on Tuesdays starting August 22, 2023, from 5:30 pm-7:00 pm. There is a suggested donation of \$10.00 for the workbook. Please register by August 15 by contacting Rhonda in the Bethlehem church office at (260) 744-3228. The Mental Health Initiative at Bethlehem sponsors this program.

CTSFW is seeking a full-time videographer to create content that informs and engages Seminary friends and supporters, prospective students, congregations, partner organizations, and the public. Interested applicants should submit a resume and cover letter by June 30 to Kali Moss at kali.moss@ctsfw.edu. A full job description is available at ctsfw.edu/employment.

CREATIVE DINING SERVICES (CDS) is seeking a full-time cook to work Tuesday through Saturday on the campus of CTSFW most weeks. The position would include CDS benefits, PTO, health benefits and 401(k). The pay rate starts at \$14.50 per hour. If interested in the position, please contact Jeff Rude at jrude@creativedining.com or (260) 452-2118, or visit the Creative Dining Services website.

CLHS has immediate openings for an Marketing & Communication Coordinator, Administrative Assistant to the Principal, a Cafeteria Assistant, a fun and energetic person to lead our Boys and Girls Swim Program, make a impact in lives by becoming a School Counselor and a 2nd Shift Custodian (four positions). To learn more about these positions and to apply, please visit www.clhscadets.com/employment.

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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 LECTONARY

Evening Prayer

Matthew 10:5a, 21-33

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 20:7-13

Acts 8:1-25

Monday

Joshua 1:1-18

Acts 8:26-40

Tuesday

Joshua 2:1-24

Acts 9:1-22

Wednesday

Joshua 3:1-17

Acts 9:23-43

Thursday

Joshua 4:1-24

Acts 10:1-17

Friday

Joshua 5:1-6:5

Acts 10:18-33

Saturday

Joshua 6:6-27

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

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 28:5-9

Romans 7:1-13

Matthew 10:34-42



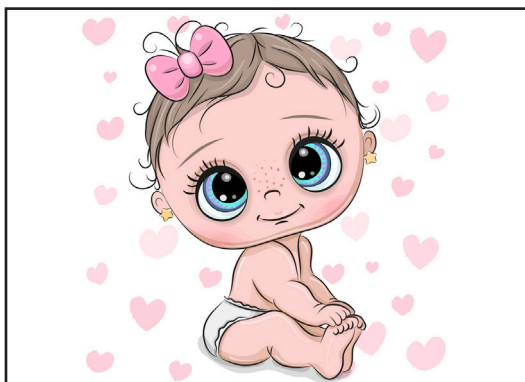
What Doctor Luther Says:

About Gods People Recognized by God's Word

[T]his holy possession [God's word] is the true holy possession, the true ointment that anoints unto life eternal, even though you cannot have a papal crown or a bishop's hat, but must die bare and naked, just like children (in fact, all of us), who are baptized naked and without any adornment. But we are speaking of the external word, preached orally by men like you and me, for this is what Christ left behind as an external sign, by which his church, or his Christian people in the world, should be recognized. We also speak of this external word as it is sincerely believed and openly professed before the world, as Christ says, "Every one who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father and his angels" [Matt. 10:32], There are many who know it in their hearts, but will not profess it openly. Many possess it, but do not believe in it or act by it, for the number of those who believe in and act by it is small—as the parable of the seed in Matthew 13 [:4-8] says that three sections of the field receive and contain the seed, but only the fourth section, the fine and good soil, bears fruit with patience.

Now, wherever you hear or see this word preached, believed, professed, and lived, do not doubt that the true *ecclesia sancta catholica*, "a Christian holy people" must be there, even though their number is very small. For God's word "shall not return empty," Isaiah 55 [:11], but must have at least a fourth or a fraction of the field. And even if there were no other sign than this alone, it would still suffice to prove that a Christian, holy people must exist there, for God's word cannot be without God's people, and conversely, God's people cannot be without God's word.

Luther's Works, 41:149-50.



It's diaper drive time

FACTS: 95% of mothers in the U.S. only use disposable diapers for their children.

Zion is collecting diapers for the community diaper give-a-way event on Sept 9th. NEWBORN, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 size diapers are needed. Just bring your diapers to the church and place them into the bassinet.

Last day to bring diapers will be August 30th.

***Last year Zion Lutheran Church gave away locally 6500 diapers to families in need.**

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FOR ALL PEOPLE

Share the Gospel through the 2023–2026 LCMS National Offering

Every three years, alongside the Synod convention, LCMS congregations and their members join to share special gifts through the LCMS National Offering.

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LUTHERAN NIGHT

2023 OUTING WITH THE FORT WAYNE TINCAPS

**TUESDAY,
AUGUST 1**

**GAME TIME:
7:05PM**

TICKET LINK



DONATION

Proceeds from Lutheran Night will be shared with Lutheran Life Villages in support of their Employee Assistance Program, a mental health & wellness program for LLV staff and their immediate family.

SPECIAL DRAWING FOR TICKET ORDERS

(For orders received prior to Friday, June 30)

Prizes Include: \$50 gift certificate to *The Orchard* team store, an autographed team bat, a chance to throw out a ceremonial first pitch & more.

POSTGAME FIREWORKS

Enjoy a spectacular fireworks display, shot directly from the field!

FAMILY FEAST NIGHT (PRESENTED BY US FOODS)

Every Tuesday night, fans can enjoy select concession items for only \$2.00 including hot dogs, popcorn, soft drinks, and pizza slices!

Order tickets online at:

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Only ticket orders received prior to Tuesday, July 18th will receive the Lutheran Night discount offer.

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School/Church Name: _____

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VISA Mastercard Discover

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3 Digit # on Back (For Security Reasons): _____

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