Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE FESTIVAL OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

9:00 am Sunday, September 24, 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.

Greeting And Announcements: The Lord be with you! And also with you!				
[Rise] Invocation				
<i>In the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.</i> 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				
O almighty God, merciful Father,				
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 4 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.





Lord __ have mer-cy up-on __ us

Gloria in Excelsis



Ghost, art most high in the glo - ry of God _ the Fa-ther. A - men.

Salutation

The Lord be with you.



Collect for St. Michael and All Angels: Everlasting God, You have ordained and constituted the service of angels and men in a wonderful order. Mercifully grant that, as Your holy angels always serve and worship You in heaven, so by Your appointment they may also help and defend us here on earth; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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

[Rise and face the Processional Cross for the Gospel Procession.]

Sequence Hymn Praise My Soul Burgundy Hymn 793

Holy Gospel St. Luke 10:17-20



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!

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

Hymn of the Day Lord God, to Thee We All Burgundy Hymn 522 [All sing stanzas 1 & 2; Men sing stanzas 3 & 5; Women sing stanzas 4 & 6; All sing stanzas 7 & 8.]

Sermon

[Rise] Prayer of the Church

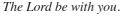
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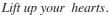
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+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

Preface





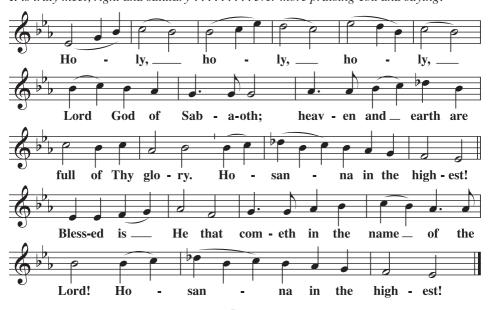


Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



Proper Preface for St. Michael and All Angels, 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.



A - men.

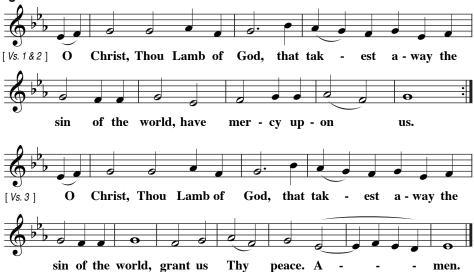
Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

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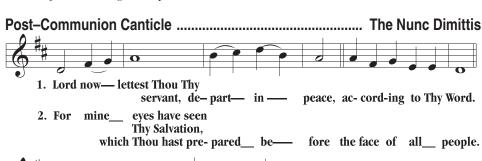


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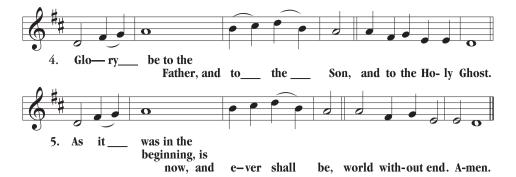
Distribution Hymn Christ, the Lord of Hosts Burgundy Hymn 521 [All sing stanzas 1 & 2; Women alone sing stanza 3; Men alone sing stanza 4; All sing stanzas 5 & 6.]

Jesus, Brightness of the Father..... RED Hymn 257 [Rise for stanza 3.]

Eucharistic Benediction

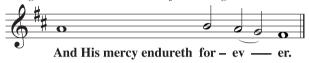


3. a Light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the Glo- ry of Thy peo-ple Is - - - ra-el.



Post Communion Rite

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



Prayer of Thanksgiving ... now and forever.



The Lord be with you.

Bless we the Lord.





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 Φ 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 Around the Throne of God RED Hymn 256 Postlude

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Readings for the Festival of St. Michael and All Angels

The Old Testament Reading is Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3

And behold, a hand touched me and set me trembling on my hands and knees. And he said to me, "O Daniel, man greatly loved, understand the words that I speak to you, and stand upright, for now I have been sent to you." And when he had spoken this word to me, I stood up trembling. Then he said to me, "Fear not, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to understand and humbled yourself before your God, your words have been heard, and I have come because of your words. The prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty-one days, but Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I was left there with the kings of Persia, and came to make you understand what is to happen to your people in the latter days. For the vision is for days yet to come." ...

"At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

The Epistle is Revelation 12:7-12

Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, but he was defeated and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death. Therefore, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for the devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"

The Gospel is Luke 10:17-20

The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Hymns for the Festival of St. Michael and All Angels

LSB520 Stars of the Morning

Joseph the Hymnographer

- Stars of the morning, so gloriously bright,
 Angels in heaven, resplendent in light,
 These, where no darkness the glory can dim,
 Praise the Thrice Holy One, serving but Him.
- 2. These are Your ministers, these are Your own, Lord God of Sabaoth, nearest Your throne; These are Your messengers, these whom You send, Helping Your helpless ones, Helper and Friend.
- 3. Then, when the earth was first poised in mid space, Then, when the planets first sped on their race, Then, when were ended the six days' employ, Then all the sons of God shouted for joy.
- 4. Still let them aid us and still let them fight, Lord of angelic hosts, battling for right, Till, where their anthems they ceaselessly pour, We with the angels may bow and adore.

LSB793 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Henry F. Lyte

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- 1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; To His feet your tribute bring; Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Evermore His praises sing: Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.
- 2. Praise Him for His grace and favor To His people in distress; Praise Him still the same as ever, Slow to chide and swift to bless: Alleluia, alleluia! Glorious in His faithfulness.
- 3. Father-like He tends and spares us; Well our feeble frame He knows; In His hand He gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes. Alleluia, alleluia! Widely yet His mercy flows.
- 4. Angels, help us to adore Him; You behold Him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down before Him, All who dwell in time and space. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

- 1. Lord God, to Thee we give all praise, With grateful hearts our voices raise, That angel hosts Thou didst create Around Thy glorious throne to wait.
- 2. They shine with light and heav'nly grace And constantly behold Thy face; They heed Thy voice, they know it well, In godly wisdom they excel.
- M 3. They never rest nor sleep as we; Their whole delight is but to be With Thee, Lord Jesus, and to keep Thy little flock, Thy lambs and sheep.
- W 4. The ancient dragon is their foe; His envy and his wrath they know. It always is his aim and pride Thy Christian people to divide.
- M 5. As he of old deceived the world
 And into sin and death has hurled,
 So now he subtly lies in wait
 To undermine both Church and state.
- W 6. A roaring lion, round he goes, No halt nor rest he ever knows; He seeks the Christians to devour And slay them in his dreadful pow'r.
 - 7. But watchful is the angel band
 That follows Christ on ev'ry hand
 To guard His people where they go
 And break the counsel of the foe.
 - 8. For this, now and in days to be, Our praise shall rise, O Lord, to Thee, Whom all the angel hosts adore With grateful songs forevermore.

LSB521 Christ, the Lord of Hosts, Unshaken

Peter M. Prange

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- 1. Christ, the Lord of hosts, unshaken By the devil's seething rage, Thwarts the plan of Satan's minions; Wins the strife from age to age; Conquers sin and death forever; Slams them in their steely cage.
- 2. Michael fought the heav'nly battle, Godly angels by his side; Warred against the ancient serpent, Foiled the beast, so full of pride, Cast him earthbound with his angels; Now he prowls, unsatisfied.
- W 3. Long on earth the battle rages, Since the serpent's first deceit; Twisted God's command to Adam, Made forbidden fruit look sweet. Then the curse of God was spoken: "You'll lie crushed beneath His feet!"
- M 4. Jesus came, this word fulfilling, Trampled Satan, death defied; Bore the brunt of our temptation, On the wretched tree He died. Yet to life was raised victorious; By His life our life supplied.
 - 5. Swift as lightning falls the tyrant From his heav'nly perch on high, As the word of Jesus' vict'ry Floods the earth and fills the sky. Wounded by a wound eternal Now his judgment has drawn nigh!
 - 6. Jesus, send Your angel legions When the foe would us enslave. Hold us fast when sin assaults us; Come, then, Lord, Your people save. Overthrow at last the dragon; Send him to his fiery grave.

TLH257 Jesus, Brightness of the Father

Rhabanus Maurus

- 1. Jesus, Brightness of the Father, Life and Strength of all who live, For creating guardian angels Glory to Thy name we give And Thy wondrous praise rehearse, Singing in harmonious verse.
- 2. Blessed Lord, by their protection Shelter us from harm this day; Keep us pure in flesh and spirit, Save us from the Foe, we pray, And vouchsafe us by Thy grace In Thy Paradise a place.
- △ 3. Glory to th'almighty Father Sing we with the heav'nly host; Glory to the great Redeemer, Glory to the Holy Ghost; Three in one and One in Three, Thro'out all eternity!

TLH256 Around the Throne of God a Band

John M. Neale

Around the throne of God a band
 Of glorious angels ever stand;
 Bright things they see, sweet harps they hold,
 And on their heads are crowns of gold.

- 2. Some wait around Him, ready still
 To sing His praise and do His will;
 And some, when He commands them, go
 To guard His servants here below.
- 3. Lord, give Thy angels ev'ry day
 Command to guide us on our way,
 And bid them ev'ry evening keep
 Their watch around us while we sleep.
- 4. So shall no wicked thing draw near To do us harm or cause us fear; And we shall dwell, when life is past, With angels round Thy throne at last.

Hestival of St. Michael & All Angels



Zion Kvangelical Lutheran Church

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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, Matt Harrison

The Teaching Staff at Lutheran South Unity

Amber Bahr (744-0459) Principal: Yvonne Schwantz (8th, ELA), Michael Cullen (7th, MS Science), Teachers:

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 fieldworkers Paul Mroczenski and Matt Harrison
- + 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 Bryce Shull, Kenneth Raber, and Warren Messmann
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Sarah Hollman, Gloria Gonzalez, Debra Busche, Marilynn Shafter, 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, especially CarolLu & Dwight Bieberich
- + For the gift of life and for length of days

2:30 PM

- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones, especially the family of Doris Yerger
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed, especially Doris Yerger
- + 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 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of the 60th wedding anniversary of CarolLu and Dwight Bieberich. 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 24, 2023 thru September 30, 2023			
SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church	
	10:30 AM	Education Hour	Various	
MON.	3:45 PM	Jr. Catechesis	Conference Room	
	5:00 PM	LSA Special Board meeting	LSA Campus	
	5:30 PM	CEA Board meeting	CLHS Worship Center	
TUES.	12 NOON	Administrative Council	Conference Room	
	5:30 PM	40 Days for Life Kick off Rally	2930 Lake Ave	
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion	Conference Room	
	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Chapel	
THURS.				
FRI.				
SAT.	9:00 AM	Staining the Church Doors	Church	
	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church	
	7:30 PM	Murder on the Orient Express	CLHS	
October 1, 2023				
SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church	
	10:30 AM	Education Hour	Various	

Murder on the Orient Express

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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 to welcome in an official way Sem. Matt Harrison, his wife Courtney, and their daughter Rosie. Matt was assigned Zion as his fieldwork congregation. He'll be installed on Oct. 1.

IN HONOR OF HER BIRTHDAY, Ms. Ernestine will be serving some of her famous cuisine today after service in Bauer Hall.

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 are spearheading Zion's effort (thanks ladies). Our date to pray is October 5. Sign up for a time. While there, you may, of course, 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: Psalm 91:11-12 — "For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone." Last week's verse was 1 Samuel 12:24.

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 begin at 8:30 am (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 THEATRE PRODUCTION presents "Murder on the Orient Express" as the Fall Drama on Saturday, September 30 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, October 1 at 2:00 p.m. at the high school auditorium at 1601 St. Joe River Dr.

GOLDEN HEIRS will be touring the Amp Lab at Electric Works ("The Amp Lab is a unique learning environment built for students of diverse backgrounds to gain real-world experience in an innovative and agile setting) on Friday, October 20th from 11:00 AM to 12 Noon. You're invited. RSVP to Carole at radcar1969@comcast.net by October 9 or call 260-483-0650.

RLNI: You're invited to celebrate Life with Right to Life of Northeast Indiana at their annual Banquet on October 9th. Dr. Ben Carson will be the keynote speaker. Melissa Montana from Star 88.3 will also emcee this event. Visit www.ichooselife.org/banquet or call 260-471-1849.

MEMORIAL FOR THE UNBORN Last year 354 babies from Northeast Indiana lost their lives to abortion. On Sunday, October 1st at 2pm, join Right to Life of Northeast Indiana to remember these babies at Catholic Cemetery on 3500 Lake Ave in Fort Wayne. Visit www.ichooselife.org/memorial or call 260-471-1849.

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

For the family of God's Priestly People at Zion

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

Morning Prayer	DAILY LECTIONARY	Evening Prayer
Luke 10:17-20	St. Michael & All Angels	Daniel 10:10-14, 12:1-3
Matthew 3:1-17	Monday	Malachi 1:1-14
Matthew 4:1-11	Tuesday	Malachi 2:1-3:5
Matthew 4:12-25	Wednesday	Malachi 3:6-4:6
Matthew 5:1-20	Thursday	Deuteronomy 1:1-18
Matthew 5:21-48	Friday	Deuteronomy 1:19-36
Matthew 6:1-15	Saturday	Deuteronomy 1:37–2:15

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

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 Philippians 2:1-4, 14-18



What Doctor Luther Says:

About the Deceit of the Wily Satan

Great is the astuteness in the power of Satan to deceive the senses. And no wonder, since a change of sense and of color can take place through glass. Therefore he can easily deceive a man with his wiles, so that the man supposes that he is seeing something that he really does not see, or hearing a voice, thunder, a flute, or a trumpet that he really does not hear. ... Thus Satan has uncommon ability to touch all the senses in such a way that you swear you see, hear, or feel something which you nevertheless do not see, etc.

But Satan does not dement men in this crude way only; he also does so in a way that is subtler and all the more dangerous. In this he is an especially clever trickster. This is why Paul applies the bewitchment of the senses to the bewitchment of the Spirit. But with the spiritual witchcraft that ancient serpent (Rev. 12:9) captures, not men's senses but their minds, and deceive them with false and wicked opinions; those who are bewitched in this way suppose that these opinions are true and godly. Nowadays he is showing his ability to do this in the fanatics, the Anabaptists, and the Sacramentarians. With his tricks he has so bewitched their minds that they are embracing lies, errors, and a horrible darkness as the most certain truth and the clearest light. They will not permit themselves to be dissuaded from these dreams of theirs by any admonitions or Scripture passages; for they are altogether persuaded that they alone are wise and have a pious attitude toward sacred things, and that everyone else is blind.

Luther's Works, 27:191-2.

Summary of meeting of the Council of Elders, Sept. 14, 2023 (The following summary is being provided in accordance with the congregation's bylaws, §VIII)

Attendance:

Elders present: R. Lammert (chairman), A. Litke (secretary), F.

Jackson, W. Krause, K. Vlot.

Elders absent: T. Muehl, B. Scott

Pastor present: Pr. Punke

(Note: This meeting was postponed one week from Sept. 7.)
Pastor Punke led the elders in a devotion by reading from
Luther's Large Catechism on the Sacrament of the Altar.

In his pastor's report, Pastor Punke noted that the pastors of the association congregations are getting more opportunities for involvement at LSUS, which he appreciates.

The elders looked briefly at Pillar 1, Goal #1: "Starting October 1, Zion will experience a 10% increase in average worship attendance by Dec. 31, 2023." They decided that the strategies previously decided for the goal were in place and sufficient for the moment.

The elders again looked at Pillar 2, Goal #3: "Starting October 1, Zion will have a quarterly non-Communion worship service (elders determine strategies, timetable, location, etc.)." There was considerable discussion on this goal. The elders will get back to the Ministry Clarity team and inform them that the elders have concerns about the validity of this goal.

It was moved, seconded, and carried that the Council of Elders recommend to the Administrative Council that the congregation purchase two AEDs, as Mitch McKinney had recommended.

The meeting was concluded with Responsive Prayer 1.

Respectfully submitted, Arthur E. Litke, secretary



Beginning September 10, CHOIR REHEARSALS RESUME ON:

SUNDAYS AT 8:05 am

In the church balcony.

All are welcome.

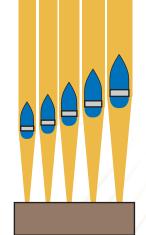


Dr. Craig Cramer

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:

Wayde Avionna Tyte'Anna Noelle Alexia Jayden Devitria Naomi Titan Mr. Cullen

Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church Owynn

Apple Day!

Kindergarten and First Grade celebrated Apple Day today! They learned about Johnny Appleseed and participated in several apple

related activities: Taste testing,

float test, caramel apple dipping,

Twister" just to name a few!



SCFVA City-Wide Blue Ribbon Show

This past Saturday, Titan entered his plants in the City-Wide Blue Ribbon Show! He placed **3rd** for his 2nd year Umbrella plant and **2nd** for his 1st year Begonia plant. Way to go, Titan! He even got interviewed by Channel 55 News!







The Johnny Appleseed Blessing:

Oh, the Lord is good to me,
And so I thank the Lord
For giving me the things I need
The sun, and the rain, and the apple seed.
The Lord is good to me.

Pump Up the Pipes! A FREE Concert

Of (mostly) Organ Music Sunday, October 22—3:30 PM



Featuring

Some of Fort Wayne's Wonderful Organists



Including

Irene Ator, Michael Dulac,

David Hendricksen, Michael Hollman,

Wayne Peterson, Tim Robison

A Free-Will Offering Will Be Received
To Benefit Our Console Update Fund
Reception to follow to Meet the Artists

St. John Lutheran Church
729 West Washington Boulevard
Fort Wayne, IN 46802







October 7th, 2023

two o'clock in the afternoon

2313 Hanna Street Fort Wayne, IN 48606 Zion Lutheran Church Reception Hall

The gift of your presence is enough! No presents, please



Very Important Partnerships Event October 7, 2023 Parkview Mirro Center



Supporting Lutheran Education in Northeast Indiana



Keynote Speaker - Dr. Bernard Bull Author, Lecturer, and President of Concordia University, Nebraska

To sponsor or purchase tickets, please scan the QR code or visit VeryImportantPartnerships.org

Please RSVP by September 22



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.

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