Historic Zion Lutheran Church Divine service for the fifth sunday after pentecost

9:00 am Sunday, July 13, 2025

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.



- [Antiphon] Give thanks to the Lord, for | he is good, || for his steadfast | love en- dures for-| ev- er. || Give thanks to the | God of gods, || for his steadfast | love en- dures for- | •ever•.
- Verse 1: It is he who remembered us in our | low es- tate, || for his steadfast | love en- dures for- | ev- er; || and rescued us | from our foes, || for his steadfast | love en- dures for- | •ever•;
- Verse 2: he who gives food | to all flesh, || for his steadfast | love en- dures for- | ev- er: || Give thanks to the | God of •heaven•, || for his steadfast | love en- dures for- | •ever•.
- *Gloria:* Glory be to the Father and | to the Son || and | to the Ho- ly | Spir- it; || As it was in the be- | •ginning•, is now, || and will | be for- •ever.• A | men!
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Salutation



Collect for the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost: Lord Jesus Christ, in Your deep compassion You rescue us from whatever may hurt us. Teach us to love You above all things and to love our neighbors as ourselves; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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

 Old Testament Reading
 Leviticus 18:1-5; 19:9-18

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

 Epistle of the Day
 Colossians 1:1-14

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

[Rise] Alleluia Sequence

[Deacon] Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." Alleluia!



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 Son of God, Eternal Savior Burgundy Hymn 842

Sermon

[*Rise*] **Prayer of the Church**

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to [After the final prayer]:..., one God, now and forever Amen.



[Be Seated] Offerings, Voluntary

Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is He that san-na in the high-est. com-eth in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na, Ho - san-na, Ho - san-na in the highest.

glo - ry;

Ho - san-na Ho - san-na, Ho-

Heav'n and earth are full of Thy

[Kneel] Lord's Prayer

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



Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



Agnus Dei



Thee We Adore Burgundy Hymn 640

[Rise] Eucharistic Benediction





Post Communion Rite

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



Prayer of Thanksgiving ... now and forever.



And with thy

The Lord be with you.





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.



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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 O God of Mercy Burgundy Hymn 852

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Readings for the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

The Old Testament Reading is Leviticus 18:1-5; 19:9-18

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying, "Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, I am the LORD your God. You shall not do as they do in the land of Egypt, where you lived, and you shall not do as they do in the land of Canaan, to which I am bringing you. You shall not walk in their statutes. You shall follow my rules and keep my statutes and walk in them. I am the LORD your God. You shall therefore keep my statutes and my rules; if a person does them, he shall live by them: I am the LORD. ...

"When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, neither shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. And you shall not strip your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner: I am the LORD your God.

"You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; you shall not lie to one another. You shall not swear by my name falsely, and so profane the name of your God: I am the LORD.

"You shall not oppress your neighbor or rob him. The wages of a hired servant shall not remain with you all night until the morning. You shall not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God: I am the LORD.

"You shall do no injustice in court. You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

"You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

The Epistle is Colossians 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father. We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel, which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and growing—as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth, just as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf and has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

The Gospel is Luke 10:25-37

Behold, a lawyer stood up to put [Jesus] to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?" And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live."

But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise."

Hymns for the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

LSB842 Son of God, Eternal Savior

Somerset T. C. Lowry

- Son of God, eternal Savior, Source of life and truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth among us Hallows all our human race, You our Head, who, throned in glory, For Your own will ever plead: Fill us with Your love and pity, Heal our wrongs, and help our need.
- As You, Lord, have lived for others, So may we for others live. Freely have Your gifts been granted; Freely may Your servants give. Yours the gold and Yours the silver, Yours the wealth of land and sea; We but stewards of Your bounty Held in solemn trust will be.
- Come, O Christ, and reign among us, King of Love and Prince of Peace; Hush the storm of strife and passion, Bid its cruel discords cease. By Your patient years of toiling, By Your silent hours of pain, Quench our fevered thirst of pleasure, Stem our selfish greed of gain.
- 4. Son of God, eternal Savior, Source of life and truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth among us Hallows all our human race: By your praying, by Your willing, That Your people should be one, Grant, O grant our hope's fruition; Here on earth Your will be done.

LSB851 Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

Eliza S. Alderson

- Lord of Glory, You have bought us With Your life-blood as the price, Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice; And with that have freely given Blessings countless as the sand To the unthankful and the evil With Your own unsparing hand.
- Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Gladly, freely of Your own.
 With the sunshine of Your goodness Melt our thankless hearts of stone Till our cold and selfish natures, Warmed by You, at length believe That more happy and more blessed 'Tis to give than to receive.

- Wondrous honor You have given To our humblest charity In Your own mysterious sentence, "You have done it all to Me." Can it be, O gracious Master, That You deign for alms to sue, Saying by Your poor and needy, "Give as I have giv'n to you"?
- 4. Lord of glory, You have bought us With Your life-blood as the price, Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice. Give us faith to trust You boldly, Hope, to stay our souls on You; But, oh, best of all Your graces, With Your love our love renew.

LSB640 Thee We Adore, O Hidden Savior Thomas Aquinas

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- Thee we adore, O hidden Savior, Thee, Who in Thy Sacrament art please to be; Both flesh and spirit in thy presence fail, Yet here Thy presence we devoutly hail.
- In this memorial of Thy death, O Lord, Thou dost Thy body and Thy blood afford: Oh, may our souls forever feed on Thee, And Thou, O Christ, forever precious be.
- Thou, like the pelican to feed her brood, Didst pierce Thyself to give us living food; Thy blood, O Lord, one drop has pow'r to win Forgiveness for our world and all its sin.
- Fountain of goodness, Jesus, Lord and God: Cleanse us, unclean, with Thy most cleansing blood; Increase our faith and love, that we may know The hope and peace which from thy presence flow.
- 5. O Christ, whom now beneath a veil we see, May what we thirst for soon our portion be:

To gaze on Thee unveiled and see Thy face, The vision of Thy glory, and Thy grace. Amen.

LSB852 O God of Mercy, God of Might

- O God of mercy, God of might, In love and pity infinite, Teach us, as ever in Thy sight, To live our lives in Thee.
- And Thou, who cam'st on earth to die That our lost world might live thereby, O hear us; for to Thee we cry, In hope, O Lord, to Thee.
- Teach us the lesson Thou hast taught: To feel for those Thy blood hath bought, That ev'ry word and deed and thought May work a work for Thee.
- 4. All are redeemed, both far and wide, Since Thou, O Lord, for all hast died. Grant us the will and grace provide To love them all in Thee!
- In sickness, sorrow, want, or care, May we each other's burdens share; May we, where help is needed, there Give help as unto Thee!
- 6. And may Thy Holy Spirit move All those who live to live in love Till Thou shalt greet in heav'n above All those who live in Thee.

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PRAYERS FOR TODAY

- + For the church, especially those bearing the cross of persecution, including Bishop Juhana Pohjola and Dr. Päivi Räsänen
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad, especially our teachers at end of another academic year, our fieldworker Nate Demlow, and vicars Matthew Harrison and Paul Mroczenski (Paul vicaring in Puerto Rico)
- + For our nation; for our leaders; for our military, including James Hall
- + 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

+ For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Frank Jackson, Earl Marcel Sisson, Richard Lammert, Phyllis Lattimore, Nate Demlow, Debra Busche, Carl Albersmeyer, Connie Houser, Estella Ramirez, Bill Weinrich, Dwight Bieberich, Willodean Bates, Dick Hollman, Elaine Seifert, Bob Ockree, Joe Harrison, Louisa Porter, Marlow Hogan, Marissia White, Gary Phillips, David Groth, Gary Castle, Ron Rastl, Robert & Jenny Hobby

- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages
- + For the gift of life and for length of days, especially Carolyn Wallschlaeger
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed
- + For our communicants and for a fruitful use of the most Blessed Sacrament of our Lord's Body and Blood

IN THE SERVICE TODAY

Today is the Divine Service for the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of Carolyn Wallschlaeger birthday by her family. 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 July 13, 2025 thru July 19, 2025

SUN.		Divine Service Adult Bible Study	Church Bauer Hall
		LSA Meeting Weekday Bible Study NO WEDNESDAY SERVICE	LSUS Bauer Hall
THURS. FRI.	10:30 AM	Book of Concord	Conference Room
SAT.	1.00 D) (Private Confession	Church
	1:00 PM	Adult Catechesis this week	Conference Room

July 20, 2025

SUN. 9:00 AM Divine Service Church

10:45 AM Education Hour

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: Dr. Voelz continues in the Gospel according to St. Mark, in Bauer Hall. Because Pastor Punke is going to be gone all of July, our alternate adult/teenage class is being suspended until after school starts back up (exact date tbd).

SAVE THE DATE: on August 3rd after church service at 10:30 AM Congregational Assembly will take place.

REMEMBER: Marge, Keiko & Pastor are gone the whole month of July. If you need anything please call the office, and Melvia will have one of the elders get back to you.

THANKS TO THESE SERVANTS who have already stepped in or will step in to lead the Divine Service in Pastor's absence (Today Rev. Dr. Jim Voelz, Rev. Michael Bahr – July 20, Rev. Dr. Roland Ziegler – July 27); and to Benjamin Wessel who is stepping in to teach Adult Catechesis July 12 & 19.

SOMETHING NEW weekday Bible class, originally sponsored by St. Paul's, has moved to our Bauer Hall every Tuesday at 9:00 AM. Pastor Jim Teasdale is teaching the class. Lutheran adults—both men and women—from any congregation are most welcome; we have recently had regular attendees from five area congregations.

BRAND SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE: The Education Council will meet today after Divine Service to consider the Brand Scholarship applications and make its recommendations to the Admin Council. Any additional applications need to be turned in by the end of July.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE: Psalm 119:11-"I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you." Last week's verse was John 15:5.

WE CAN FACE COMPETING PRIORITIES when we think about planning our estates someday. Will my plans preserve what I have gathered or give it away? Estate planning can be a bit unsettling as it punctuates the finite number of days here in this life. Yet our life in Jesus is eternal, without end. How will decisions in your estate plan keep the focus on things that matter eternally? Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you find that eternal focus. Contact Mark Muehl at 260-241-4845 or mark.muehl@lfnd.org.

RLNI: Have a passion for helping women choose life? Join us on Tuesday, July 22nd, 2025, for Sidewalk Advocate Training and learn how to save lives in Northeast Indiana. The training takes place at our Training Center at 3106 Lake Ave, from 9am- Noon. This 3hr introductory training will empower you to turn your passion into action. And, join in for their pro-life seminar discussing Medical Aid in Dying (MAiD) on July 28th, from 6:30-8:00 pm at the RLNI Training Center (3106 Lake Ave, Fort Wayne, IN 46835). MAiD refers to the practice of a healthcare professional providing a terminally ill patient with the means to end their life. Come learn how to address this end-of-life issue, as a Christian who professes that God alone is the Author of Life. RSVP at <u>ichooselife.org/seminar</u> or email <u>abigail@ichooselife.org</u>. Light refreshments will be served. Also, You're invited to join Right to Life of Northeast Indiana on Tuesday, October 14th at 5:30 pm at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum for the Fall Banquet with keynote speaker Kirk Cameron! Come celebrate our 51st year, as an organization tickets are available for purchase. This event is expected to be a record-breaking size.

WYNEKEN MEMORIAL LUTHERAN SCHOOL is seeking a school teacher (4th grade and/or 5th grade) for the 2025-2026 academic year. Individuals who have LCMS synodical and theological training as well as an Indiana teaching license are preferred. In addition, Wyneken has an opening for a part-time teacher's aide. Those interested are asked to submit a resume and cover letter. For additional information, please contact Andrew Gavrun at 260-639-6177 or principal@wyneken.org.

CTSFW: invites applications for an Admission Coordinator to assist the Assistant Vice President (AVP) of Admission. This position manages all Admission data in Salesforce (CRM), including the database and the student portal, and provides administrative, organizational, and project management support to the AVP and Admission Counselors. The role also includes coordination of office operations, supervision of student workers, and scheduling of campus visits for prospective students and applicants. For a full position description and to apply, visit <u>ctsfw.edu/employment</u>.

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 10:25-37	The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost	Leviticus 18:1-5; 19:9- 18
Galatians 3:1-22	Monday	Judges 14:1-20
Galatians 3:23-4:11	Tuesday	Judges 15:1-16:3
Galatians 4:12-31	Wednesday	Judges 16:4-30
Galatians 5:1-26	Thursday	1 Samuel 1:1-20
Galatians 6:1-18	Friday	1 Samuel 1:21-2:17
Acts 15:22-41	Saturday	1 Samuel 2:18-36

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

<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, **prayer. Amen!**

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[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!

Colossians 1:21-29

[Daily] The Our Father

TO PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 18:1-14

Luke 10:38-42

The Fifth 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:Nathaniel Demlow

The Teaching Staff at Lutheran South Unity

Principal: Amber Bahr (744-0459; <u>www.lsusfw.org</u>)

Teachers:

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

Chase Mertz (6th, MS Social Studies), Danielle Ramsey (5th), Abbey Kohler (4th),

Tiffany Scheurich (3rd), John Fink (2nd), Hannah Fink (1st), Rachel Wiegman (K-A),

Michelle Madden (K-B), Natalie Reynolds (Art), Open Position (Music),

Lizzy Hoham (Progress Partners Coach), Cathie Wakeland (Literacy Coach), Lee Buxton (PE)

The Support Staff

Organist and Director of Parish Music: Michael Hollman, MM Church Office Manager: Melvia Culpher



What Doctor Luther Says:

About God's Twofold Reign — Physical and Spiritual

[I]n the Old Testament God carried on a twofold government: external and internal. He determined to rule the people Himself, both inwardly and outwardly - inwardly in their hearts and outwardly in their bodies and their property. This explains why He gave them so many kinds of laws mingled together. Thus it was an instance of physical government when a husband could give his wife a bill of divorce and send her out of his house if he did not want her (Deut. 24:1). But the commandment which says: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Lev. 19:18) is part of the spiritual government. Now, however, God reigns only spiritually in us through Christ. He executes the physical and external rule through the civil government. Therefore the external rule was abrogated when Christ came. Now God no longer assigns external persons, times, and places; but He governs us spiritually by means of the Word, so that we are lords over everything external and are not bound to anything physical. What belongs to the spiritual government, however, has not been repealed but always continues to be in force, as, for instance, the laws in Moses concerning the love for God and one's neighbor. God still wants these laws observed, and with this Law He will condemn all unbelievers.

Luther's Works, 30:20.



18 HOLE FLORIDA Scramble

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Join us for a Men's Retreat! September 26-28, 2025

Join us for Lutherhaven's Men's Retreat where faith, fellowship and friendly competition meet under the theme of Iron Sharpens Iron.

Callings for Life: God's Plan, Your Purpose Dr. Jeffrey Leininger

"...brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship." Romans 12:1 (ESV)

What is God calling me to do? What is the one thing I was placed on this planet for? How can I discover it? What if I miss it? These questions plague us all, whether we're young and ambitious or retired and asking, "what's next." The truth is, however, there is not one thing that you're meant to do. We have multiple callings, and they are unfolding right now. Pastor Leininger will walk us through the theological teaching on vocation, and apply it to the issues affecting Christian men in an increasingly unchristian world.

Come for the food, fellowship, fun and faith that we share as we dive into a great Topic, Games for guys, engaging Sectionals, Free-time, a Cook Out, and time spent in God's Creation! **Other activities include:** Disc Golf, Basketball, Pickleball, Beach Volleyball, Boating, Self-Guided Hikes, A Game Room, and more.

Register & More Information at: LUTHERHAVEN.ORG/PROGRAMS/RETREATS/MEN/





It's diaper drive time

FACTS: Diapers can cost up to \$100 per month per child, and some families prioritize diapers over other basic needs like food

Zion is collecting diapers for the community diaper give-a-way event on Sept 6th. ALL 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 24th.

*Last year we gave away 6500 diapers to the community,

that's 205 families that got diapers from us.

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