

**Zion Lutheran Church**  
**Mascoutah, Illinois**  
**November 13-14, 2021**  
*24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity*



*In the Name of Christ Jesus our Lord, we bid you a warm welcome to this worship service. May your experience of worship and fellowship this morning be spiritually refreshing and ready you for the week ahead.*



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## Electronic Devices

Please TURN OFF all cell phones, pagers, electronic devices, apps and games when entering the sanctuary for worship so those around you may focus on the Word of God without electronic distraction. Thank you.

## A Prayer to Begin Worship

Jesus, Sovereign of life, who healed the sick and forgave sins, for giving us life where there was no life and hope where there was no hope, we tender deepest gratitude as we press on from life to life and stand on tiptoe awaiting the fulfillment of our hopes; who with the Father and the Holy Spirit are one God with dominion over us forever.

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## Confession and Absolution

Hymn

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

LSB 849

- 1 Praise the One who breaks the darkness With a liberating light;  
Praise the One who frees the pris'ners, Turning blindness into sight.  
Praise the One who preached the Gospel, Healing ev'ry dread disease,  
Calming storms, and feeding thousands With the very Bread of peace.**
- 2 Praise the One who blessed the children With a strong, yet gentle, word;  
Praise the One who drove out demons With the piercing, two-edged sword.  
Praise the One who brings cool water To the desert's burning sand;  
From this Well comes living water, Quenching thirst in ev'ry land.**
- 3 Let us praise the Word Incarnate, Christ, who suffered in our place.  
Jesus died and rose victorious That we may know God by grace.  
Let us sing for joy and gladness, Seeing what our God has done;  
Let us praise the true Redeemer, Praise the One who makes us one.**

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*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

## Invocation

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Exhortation

**P** 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.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

## Confession with Absolution

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**C** 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.
- P** 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.
- C** Amen.

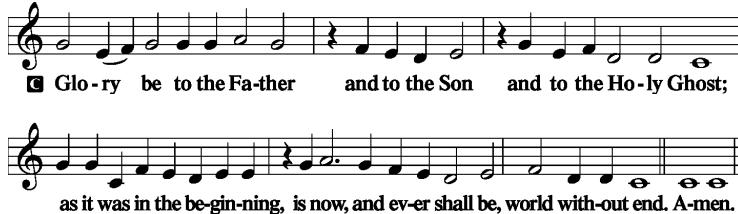
## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Ps. 95:1–4; antiphon: Ps. 95:6–7a*

- L** Oh come, let us worship and bow down;  
**C** let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!  
**L** For He is our God,  
**C** and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.  
**L** Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;  
**C** let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!  
**L** Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving;  
**C** let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!  
**L** For the LORD is a great God,  
**C** and a great King above all gods.  
**L** In His hand are the depths of the earth;  
**C** the heights of the mountains are His also.  
**L** Oh come, let us worship and bow down;  
**C** let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!  
**L** For He is our God,  
**C** and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

### Gloria Patri



**C** Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;  
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

### Kyrie


*LSB 186*



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187



Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward  
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.  
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-  
on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.  
Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**L** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**L** Let us pray.

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of Your faithful people that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by You be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

Awake, awake, put on strength,  
O arm of the LORD;

*Isaiah 51:9–16*

awake, as in days of old,  
 the generations of long ago.  
 Was it not You who cut Rahab in pieces,  
 that pierced the dragon?  
 Was it not You who dried up the sea,  
 the waters of the great deep,  
 who made the depths of the sea a way  
 for the redeemed to pass over?  
 And the ransomed of the LORD shall return  
 and come to Zion with singing;  
 everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;  
 they shall obtain gladness and joy,  
 and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.  
 “I, I am He who comforts you;  
 who are you that you are afraid of man who dies,  
 of the son of man who is made like grass,  
 and have forgotten the LORD, your Maker,  
 who stretched out the heavens  
 and laid the foundations of the earth,  
 and you fear continually all the day  
 because of the wrath of the oppressor,  
 when he sets himself to destroy?  
 And where is the wrath of the oppressor?  
 He who is bowed down shall speedily be released;  
 he shall not die and go down to the pit,  
 neither shall his bread be lacking.  
 I am the LORD your God,  
 who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar—  
 the LORD of hosts is His name.  
 And I have put My words in your mouth  
 and covered you in the shadow of My hand,  
 establishing the heavens  
 and laying the foundations of the earth,  
 and saying to Zion, ‘You are My people.’”  
**L** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

**Hand Chime Choir**

**Sent Forth by God’s Blessing**

**Behnke**

**Epistle**

*Colossians 1:9–14*

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.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse



## Holy Gospel

Matthew 9:18–26

**L** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.



**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

While [Jesus] was saying these things to them, behold, a ruler came in and knelt before Him, saying, “My daughter has just died, but come and lay Your hand on her, and she will live.” And Jesus rose and followed him, with His disciples. And behold, a woman who had suffered from a discharge of blood for twelve years came up behind Him and touched the fringe of His garment, for she said to herself, “If I only touch His garment, I will be made well.” Jesus turned, and seeing her He said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And instantly the woman was made well. And when Jesus came to the ruler’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, He said, “Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at Him. But when the crowd had been put outside, He went in and took her by the hand, and the girl arose. And the report of this went through all that district.

**L** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

**C** 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 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 worshiped 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  $\text{✠}$  of the world to come. Amen.

*Sit*

Hymn

O Christ, Who Shared Our Mortal Life  
(Stanzas 1, 5, 6, & 4)

LSB 552

- 1 O Christ, who shared our mortal life And ended death’s long reign,  
Who healed the sick and raised the dead And bore our grief and pain:  
We know our years on earth are few, That death is always near.

*Hymn continues on the next page.*

- 5 A ruler proud but bent by grief Knelt down before Your feet:  
 “My precious daughter’s gripped by death! Come now and death defeat!”  
 A multitude had gathered round To hear the truth You taught,  
 But, leaving them, You turned to help A father sore distraught.
- 6 You pressed through crowds to reach the child Whose limbs with death grew cold.  
 “She is not dead; she only sleeps!” The weeping folk You told.  
 And then You took her hand and called, “My child, I bid you rise!”  
 She rose! And all stood round You, Lord, With awed and wond’ring eyes!
- 4 Death’s power holds us still in thrall And bears us toward the tomb.  
 Death’s dark’ning cloud hangs like a pall That threatens earth with doom.  
 But You have broken death’s embrace And torn away its sting.  
 Restore to life our mortal race! Raise us, O Risen King!

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## Sermon

## Gallows Humor

## Hymn

## How Great Thou Art

*LSB 801*

- 1 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,  
 I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, Thy pow’r throughout the universe displayed; Refrain.
- ref Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art!  
 Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
- 2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander, I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
 When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; Refrain.
- 3 But when I think that God, His Son not sparing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in—  
 That on the cross my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin; Refrain.
- 4 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
 Then I shall bow in humble adoration And there proclaim: “My God, how great Thou art!” Refrain

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## Stand

## Prayer of the Church

- P** Your steadfast love, O Lord, never ceases, and Your mercies never come to an end.  
**C** You are good to those who wait for You, and when we truly seek You, we find You.  
**P** Therefore we sing Your praises and give thanks to Your holy name.  
**C** Your anger is for a moment and Your favor is for a lifetime.  
**P** We confess, O Lord, that in spite of Your patience and loving kindness, we so often take You for granted.  
**C** You answer our prayers, yet we often fail to lay before You all the burdens of our hearts.  
**P** You have given us of Your abundance, and yet we have failed to give to You and Your cause according to our means and beyond our means.  
**C** We weep at the loss of loved ones, not fully realizing that one day we shall be with them before Your throne.  
**P** We have often been afraid when we should have believed.  
**C** For our indifference and neglect, forgive us, O Lord.  
**P** We need, O Lord, the power of Your Holy Spirit to enable us to give ourselves completely to You.

- C** Send us Your Spirit that we may experience the joy of a life dedicated to spreading Your love.
- P** Replace our fear with a firm trust in Your providence.
- C** Help us to excel in faith, in utterance, in knowledge, and in all earnestness.
- P** Help us to share our abundance with those who are in want.
- C** Comfort the bereaved with the hope of Your promised resurrection.
- P** Give to the sick, faith in the power of Your healing.
- C** Assure the lonely of Your presence.

**WE GO TO THE LORD IN PRAYER FOR**

- ✠ Ian Hutchinson, Brady Twenhafel, Grace Wambold, Cohen Merrill, Savannah Murphy, Darla Lancey, and Zackery Schreiber, as they celebrate their Baptismal Anniversaries this week.
- ✠ Zion’s President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
- ✠ Faithfulness in Christian worship.

- P** Bless our nation with peace, and help us dwell in harmony with Your will.
- C** This we ask in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Offering**

*OFFERING OPTIONS: While we are not passing the offering plate during the service at Zion, here are three ways to share your offering for the Lord's work: 1. Place your offering in the plates on the table in the narthex on your way in or out of church. 2. Mail your offering to the church office. 3. Use Zion's online giving program and make a donation through a PayPal account. Thank you for your ongoing generosity!*

**Offertory**

LSB 192

**C** 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.

**Service of the Sacrament**

**Preface**

LSB 194

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spir - it.





**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

### Proper Preface (Full)

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus

LSB 195



**C** 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,



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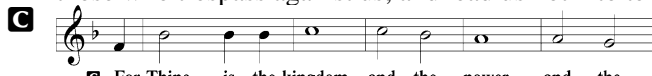


Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

### Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

**P** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil



**C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the



glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

### The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given

thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\nabla$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

**P** In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\nabla$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### Pax Domini

LSB 197



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**A** - men.

### Agnus Dei

LSB 198



**O** Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



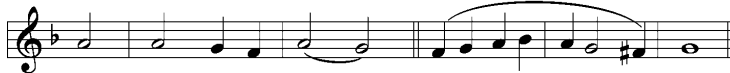
world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*Sit*

### Distribution

*During the Distribution, the camera will be focused on the cross at the front of Zion to allow for privacy for those who commune.*

*Zion Lutheran practices the policy of close communion, communing only those who share our common Biblical view of the Lord's Supper. If you are not a confirmed LCMS Lutheran, please confer with the pastor before communing.*

*The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to members who will remain seated in the pews (Saturday night only). When you receive the communion tray, please wait to commune until all trays are distributed. Pastor Clayton will then return to the front and invite the entire congregation to commune together at the same time saying:*

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

**Amen.**

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

**Amen.**

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, You have prepared This feast for our salvation;  
It is Your body and Your blood, And at Your invitation  
As weary souls, with sin oppressed, We come to You for needed rest, For comfort, and for pardon.
- 2 Although You did to heav'n ascend, Where angel hosts are dwelling,  
And in Your presence they behold Your glory, all excelling,  
And though Your people shall not see Your glory and Your majesty Till dawns the judgment morning,
- 3 Yet, Savior, You are not confined To any habitation;  
But You are present even now Here with Your congregation.  
Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Unmoved by any daring hand Or subtle craft and cunning.
- 4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your precious Word believing  
That Your true body and Your blood Our lips are here receiving.  
This Word remains forever true; All things are possible with You, For You are Lord Almighty.
- 5 Though reason cannot understand, Yet faith this truth embraces:  
Your body, Lord, is even now At once in many places.  
I leave to You how this can be; Your Word alone suffices me; I trust its truth unfailing.
- 6 Lord, I believe what You have said; Help me when doubts assail me.  
Remember that I am but dust, And let my faith not fail me.  
Your supper in this vale of tears Refreshes me and stills my fears And is my priceless treasure.
- 7 Grant that we worthily receive Your supper, Lord, our Savior,  
And, truly grieving for our sins, May prove by our behavior  
That we are thankful for Your grace And day by day may run our race, In holiness increasing.
- 8 For Your consoling supper, Lord, Be praised throughout all ages!  
Preserve it, for in ev'ry place The world against it rages.  
Grant that this sacrament may be A blessed comfort unto me When living and when dying.

Public domain

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray That we may feast on You today;  
Beneath these forms of bread and wine Enrich us with Your grace divine.
- 2 Give us, who share this wondrous food, Your body broken and Your blood,  
The grateful peace of sins forgiv'n, The certain joys of heirs of heav'n.
- 3 By faith Your Word has made us bold To seize the gift of love retold;  
All that You are we here receive, And all we are to You we give.
- 4 One bread, one cup, one body, we, Rejoicing in our unity,  
Proclaim Your love until You come To bring Your scattered loved ones home.
- 5 Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray: O keep us steadfast till that day  
When each will be Your welcomed guest In heaven's high and holy feast.

Public domain

- 1 The infant Priest was holy born For us unholy and forlorn;  
From fleshly temple forth came He, Anointed from eternity.
- 2 This great High Priest in human flesh Was icon of God's righteousness.  
His hallowed touch brought sanctity; His hand removed impurity.
- 3 The holy Lamb undaunted came To God's own altar lit with flame;  
While weeping angels hid their eyes, This Priest became a sacrifice.
- 4 But death would not the victor be Of Him who hung upon the tree.  
He leads us to the Holy Place Within the veil, before God's face.
- 5 The veil is torn, our Priest we see, As at the rail on bended knee  
Our hungry mouths from Him receive The bread of immortality.
- 6 The body of God's Lamb we eat, A priestly food and priestly meat;  
On sin-parched lips the chalice pours His quenching blood that life restores.
- 7 With cherubim and seraphim Our voices join the endless hymn,  
And "Holy, holy, holy" sing To Christ, God's Lamb, our Priest and King.

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*Stand*

*In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:*

### The Dismissal

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

**C** Amen.

### Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -  
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

### Thanksgiving

LSB 200

☐ O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
☑ and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

### Post-Communion Collect

☐ Let us pray.  
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☑ A - men.

### Salutation and Benedicamus

☐ The Lord be with you.  
☑ And with thy spir - it.  
☐ Bless we the Lord.  
☑ Thanks be to God.

### Benediction

LSB 202

☐ The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make  
His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



## LIFE AND LIVING ITEMS AT ZION



### **TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL – NOVEMBER 14<sup>th</sup>**

Today in Sunday School, the children will study the efforts Abraham made to ensure that his son Isaac would marry a person who loved God in the account of “Isaac and Rebekah.” As a family discuss, “Why is it important to marry someone who shares your Christian faith? What are the blessings of sharing your beliefs with your spouse?”

### **WOULD YOU LIKE TO RUN FOR A POSITION ON ZION’S BOARD?**

Do you ever think to yourself, ‘I really want to help in my church but I’m not sure how?’ Well, here is your chance. Your Board members are actively looking for people right now to fill all positions for December’s elections. It’s easy, if you’re a voting communicant member, just talk to any board member and they will tell you about how you can make a difference in Zion’s future and serve God and your congregation also.

### **ORGAN RECITAL AT ZION MASCOUTAH ON NOV. 14<sup>th</sup>**

Zion Lutheran in Mascoutah welcomes organist Benjamin Kolodziej for an afternoon recital on Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup>. The recital begins at 3:00 PM. Mr. Kolodziej, a member at Faith Lutheran Church (LCMS) in Plano, Texas, is a frequent performer for concerts and hymn festivals. His venues have included St. Patrick’s Cathedral and St. Thomas Church in New York City, Washington National Cathedral, and St. Philip’s Cathedral in Atlanta. In addition to performing on organ, Mr. Kolodziej is a published composer. His organ compositions are published by Concordia Publishing House, GIA, and Augsburg Fortress. He maintains a scholarly interest in theological, liturgical, and historical topics, and has written for several journals. Active in the Lutheran Church, he has written for the Lutheran Service Book Companion to the Hymns and recently served as the Carl Schalk Scholar in Church Music at Concordia University—Chicago. Mark your calendar now to attend this organ recital on Sunday, November 14 at 3:00 PM. A free will offering will be taken to help cover the costs of this recital.

### **CONCERNED CHRISTIANS NEEDS DONATIONS FOR GAS GIFT CARDS**

*To date, we have received approximately \$1,100 for the gas cards. We will need \$2,100 to purchase the number of cards Concerned Christians has requested. We will be collecting for two more weeks, but the cards need to be purchased prior to Thanksgiving week.* Concerned Christians/Food Pantry would like gas gift cards for their use at Thanksgiving time to those in need. Last year another church in town purchased the gift cards. We are asking that members of Zion would consider making a cash donation towards the gift cards, and then we will purchase the prepaid gas cards. The Concerned Christians are requesting \$35.00 gas cards and would like to have at least 60 cards. If you would like to donate, please place your money in the jars by the sanctuary doors. We will need a total of \$2,100 for 60 cards. If you have any questions, please contact Ken or Gail Frey at 566-7294.

### **MASKS WHEN NOT SEATED, PLEASE**

As a quick and gentle reminder, please wear a mask when you enter Zion, leave Zion, and especially when you are walking in the aisles to receive Communion. Thank you.

### **SATURDAY NIGHT SERVICES TO END NEXT WEEK, NOVEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>**

Since Sunday morning services have been more open and available, the Saturday night services have dropped dramatically. Based on ongoing discussion with the Elders, we will end Saturday evening services when Advent begins. Our final Saturday night service will be on November 20, and we will not have Saturday night services starting November 27. Thank you for your understanding.

### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES DUE TODAY, NOVEMBER 14<sup>th</sup>**

Thank you to everyone who has participated in Operation Christmas Child project this year! If you have not yet returned your filled shoebox, please remember that these are due to church **TODAY, NOV. 14<sup>th</sup>**. If you are unable to bring your shoebox to the church by Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>, please contact Kara Simon at 314-494-8616. **We have received**

*more than enough offers to cover the postage!* Here's a short video from Zion's Operation Christmas project leader, Kara Simon: <https://youtube.com/shorts/vsjLGrt5Xgw?feature=share>

### **THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH PUZZLE NIGHT**

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Youth Group Puzzle Night in any way, either through volunteering, donating to, attending, or helping in some other way. We have an amazing church community, and it was wonderful to see everyone come together to help run it as well as to see everyone who attended have a fun night! With everyone's support and the help of Thrivent Financial (which donated \$250 to support the fundraiser), we raised around \$1,000 through the Puzzle Night. A majority of these funds will help support the youth conference in the summer. We greatly appreciate your support!!

### **JOIN US TO HEAR SEMINARIAN KYLE MOELLENHOFF THIS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18<sup>th</sup>**

Sem. Moellenhoff will be speaking at the Ladies Aid meeting on Thursday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, at 7 PM, about his life, family, and his road to the ministry. We look forward to having you join us to get to know him better!

### **YOUTH GROUP MEETING & SOCIAL - NOV. 21<sup>st</sup>**

Our next youth group meeting/fun activity is planned for after church on Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup>. More details to come, but please mark your calendars for now!

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM REHEARSAL - NOV. 21<sup>st</sup>**

The Sunday School Christmas program students will be rehearsing on Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> from 1:00-2:30pm in the sanctuary. If your child is participating in the program, please be sure to sign up in the narthex so that parts can be assigned. We will continue rehearsals after Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> during the Sunday School hour. Dress rehearsal will be on Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> from 9am until 11am with a Happy Birthday Jesus party from 11am-12pm for the program students and helpers only.

### **SHOP FOR THANKSGIVING CARDS AT ZION!**

See the boxes on the table in the narthex for inexpensive scripture-based cards.

### **ZION HELPING HANDS**

If you or any member of Zion needs assistance with transportation, light household cleaning, light cooking, laundry, or yard work -- or if you would be willing to be on our list of helpers contact Jordan Rehfeldt (high4you2001@yahoo.com, 618-980-8475), Lesley Eads (eadslesley@yahoo.com, 618-623-2360), or Dan Eads (eadsdl@gmail.com, 618-623-2760). *"And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up."* Galatians 6:9

### **WANTED: LOT FOR THE HOUSE ACROSS THE STREET TO RELOCATE**

There is a person interested in the house on the property recently purchased by Zion, but they are looking for a lot to move it to. If you are aware of a lot in Mascoutah, or even just outside of Mascoutah, please contact Mike Twenhafel at 618-363-1955.

### **WILLS AND ESTATE PLANNING - TRANSFER THE BLESSINGS**

How can you touch lives and share in the work of the Gospel through your lifetime plan for giving? As called and chosen children of God, we know He has a plan for our life. God has called us to be managers of His creation while we are living and when our time on earth is past. We are to Transfer the Blessings entrusted to us to be a blessing to others. That is our calling. Pass it on! God has placed a Lifetime Plan for Giving in each Christian's heart. The goal of the LCMS Foundation is to help Christians bring that plan to the surface and make it a reality. To accomplish this, members of Zion are encouraged to support the Lifetime Plan for Giving program. The Lifetime Plan for Giving is a gift planning process that strengthens every Christian's walk in life. Through this relationship, Lutherans develop a Lifetime Plan for Giving that transfers what God has entrusted to them on to family and to the Lord's work. Scott Radden, Gift Planning Counselor for the SID, will assist members of Zion in understanding tax benefits and establish gifts to family and ministry consistent with their personal goals. Contact Scott to establish an estate plan that includes the Lords' work as well as passing blessings along to family



in an effective way. For more information, or to set up a free consultation, contact Scott Radden at [scott.radden@lfnd.org](mailto:scott.radden@lfnd.org) or call him at (618) 977-4049.

### **INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MINISTRY UPDATE**

Dear Zion Members, Thank you again. We helped 20 students this past week with household items and winter items. We still have the following needs: 2 twin beds, 2 pillows, 4 Bicycles, 1 TV, 3 Microwaves, 3 Blenders, 1 Vacuum cleaner, 1 used mobile phone, 3 tablets, various quilts and blankets, 3 medium size women's winter coats, 2 small size women's winter coats, 6 medium men's winter coats, hats, gloves, and boots. Thank you for your donations! For more information, please contact Bessie Fick at 515-230-9937.

### **ANNUAL TREE OF HOPE CAMPAIGN**

The Mascoutah Tuesday Women's Club is excited to announce the annual Tree of Hope campaign. Donations will be used to provide Christmas gifts of shoes and clothes for the needy children of Mascoutah. Funds were also used to support the Mascoutah Township School Supply Drive through a donation of 100, \$20 gift cards to provide shoes for children starting school. Thanks to the generosity of Mascoutah, donations totaling \$10,840.50 for the Tree of Hope were received in 2020. This enabled 108 children from 38 families to receive gifts. We ask for your help again this year in order to fill the stockings of so many needy children. Please send your donation to: Tree of Hope, PO Box 244, Mascoutah, IL 62258. If you have any questions, call Rosalie Taylor at 618-566-2529.

### **NEW ART EXHIBIT AT CONCORDIA HISTORICAL INSTITUTE**

Mark your calendars now for the opening of a special exhibit of fine art related to Martin Luther, Katharina von Bora, Philipp Melancthon, and Frederick the Wise on Friday, November 12, 2021, at Concordia Historical Institute, 804 Seminary Place in Saint Louis. Hours are 9:00AM - 3:00PM. The exhibit will remain in place until July 1, 2022. Pieces in the exhibit will include an original print by Albrecht Dürer as well as German and Dutch original oil paintings from the 17th, 18th, and 19th centuries. Re-discover the artistic treasures of the Lutheran Reformation at Concordia Historical Institute.

### **LISTEN TO WORLDWIDE KFUE AM850**

KFUE Radio, AM850 & [kfue.org](http://kfue.org), a media ministry extension of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you on AM850 & [kfue.org](http://kfue.org) via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at [kfue.org](http://kfue.org) and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @KFUEradio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE AM850 & [kfue.org](http://kfue.org): Study Ezekiel 40-43 on Sharper Iron's "The Faithful Watchman" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), hear practical application of our Lutheran Confessions on Concord Matters (11/20 at 10:00 a.m.), and worship with us in Daily Chapel weekdays at 10:00 a.m. Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfue.org](http://kfue.org) or the KFUE Radio app!

### **PATHS TO LUTHERANISM SERIES**

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen to stories of guests who have come to Lutheranism from Islam, Mormonism, Atheism, Agnosticism, Roman Catholicism, Pentecostalism and more. You'll find the series at [issuesetc.org/pathstolutheranism](http://issuesetc.org/pathstolutheranism).

**THE FLOWERS ON THE LORD'S ALTAR**

The flowers on the Lord's altar are given to the glory of God in gratefulness and appreciation of our past and present veterans.

**THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY**

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton  
Lectors: Sem. Don Stein & Sem. Kyle Moellenhoff  
Organists: Saturday: Pinky Ahner  
Sunday: Nancy Peterson  
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton  
Altar Guild: Gail Frey  
Elder of the Month: Randy Schorfheide

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**THINGS WE ARE DOING AT ZION**

Sun. Confirmation Class 8:30 AM  
Bible Class on Zoom & In-Person 8:45 AM  
Sunday School & Youth Bible Class 8:45 AM  
Worship DS III w/communion 10:00 AM  
Mon. ***Echo Deadline***  
Tues. Elders Meeting 7:00 PM  
Wed. New Member Class 7:00 PM  
Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM  
Hand Chime Rehearsal 8:00 PM  
Thurs. Exec Board 6:30 PM  
Ladies Aid Meeting 7:00 PM  
Trustees Meeting 7:00 PM  
Fri. Senior Meal Delivery 10:30 AM  
Sat. Worship Matins 7:00 PM  
***(Final Saturday Worship Service)***  
Sun. Confirmation Class 8:30 AM  
Bible Class on Zoom & In-Person 8:45 AM  
Sunday School & Youth Bible Class 8:45 AM  
Worship Matins 10:00 AM

**ATTENDANCE NOVEMBER 6/7:** Saturday: 10 Sunday: 126  
Adult Bible Class: 29 High School: 4 Sunday School: 43