Zion Lutheran Church

Mascoutah, Illinois September 18-19, 2021 16th 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

Holy God, in whose hands are the issues of life and death for every person, we commit our mortality to Your wisdom and plan and our immortality to Your loving care with the prayer that while we are living in time we may be the Holy Spirit's instruments for bringing new life to all the spiritually dead whose lives touch ours; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with You and the Holy Spirit are one God with dominion over us forever.

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Prelude Jesus' Reign and Power arr. Eugene Butler

Hymn I Know That My Redeemer Lives

LSB 461

- 1 I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives! He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living head.
- 2 He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save; He lives all-glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there on high.
- 3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to plead for me above; He lives my hungry soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
- 4 He lives to grant me rich supply; He lives to guide me with His eye; He lives to comfort me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's complaint.
- 5 He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears; He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end; He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.

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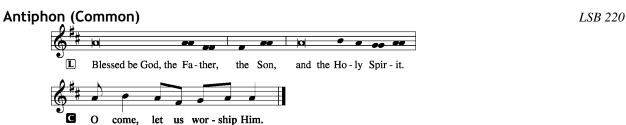
8 He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same; Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

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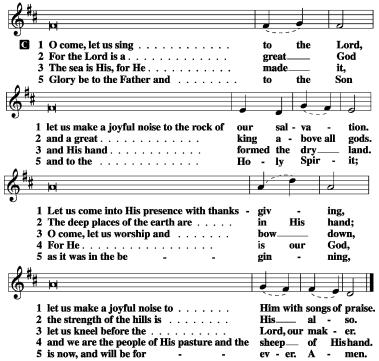
Stand



Psalmody



Venite LSB 220



Antiphon (Common)

LSB 221



Psalm 30 (antiphon: v.5b)

L I will extol You, O LORD, for You have drawn me up

- and have not let my foes rejoice over me.
- L O LORD my God, I cried to You for help,
- C and You have healed me.
- L O LORD, You have brought up my soul from Sheol;
- C You restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.
- L Sing praises to the LORD, O you His saints,
- C and give thanks to His holy name.
- **L** For His anger is but for a moment,
- C and His favor is for a lifetime.
- L Weeping may tarry for the night,
- **C** but joy comes with the morning.
- L As for me, I said in my prosperity,
- **C** "I shall never be moved."
- **L** By Your favor, O LORD,
- C You made my mountain stand strong;
- L You hid Your face; I was dismayed.
- C To You, O LORD, I cry,
- **L** and to the Lord I plead for mercy:
- C "What profit is there in my death,

- **L** if I go down to the pit?
- **C** Will the dust praise You?
- L Will it tell of Your faithfulness?
- C Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me!
- L O LORD, be my helper!"
- C You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;
- L You have loosed my sackcloth
- C and clothed me with gladness,
- **L** that my glory may sing Your praise and not be silent.
- G O LORD my God, I will give thanks to You forever! Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Sit

Hymn For Me to Live Is Jesus LSB 742

- 1 For me to live is Jesus, To die is gain for me; So when my Savior pleases, I meet death willingly.
- 2 For Christ, my Lord, my brother, I leave this world so dim And gladly seek another, Where I shall be with Him.
- 3 My woes are nearly over, Though long and dark the road; My sin His merits cover, And I have peace with God.
- 4 Lord, when my pow'rs are failing, My breath comes heavily, And words are unavailing, O hear my sighs to Thee.
- 5 In my last hour, O grant me A slumber soft and still, No doubts to vex or haunt me, Safe anchored in Thy will;
- 6 And so to Thee still cleaving When death shall come to me, I fall asleep believing And wake in heav'n with Thee!

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First Reading 1 Kings 17:17–24

After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill. And his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. And she said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!" And he said to her, "Give me your son." And he took him from her arms and carried him up into the upper chamber where he lodged, and laid him on his own bed. And he cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, have You brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by killing her son?" Then he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again." And the LORD listened to the voice of Elijah. And the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. And Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house and delivered him to his mother. And Elijah said, "See, your son lives." And the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth."

- L O Lord, have mercy on us.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Second Reading Ephesians 3:13–21

So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory.

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of His glory He may grant you to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Third Reading Luke 7:11–17

Soon afterward [Jesus] went to a town called Nain, and His disciples and a great crowd went with Him.

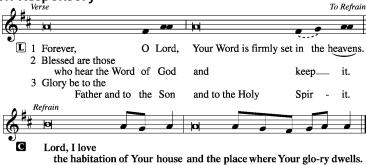
As He drew near to the gate of the town, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and a considerable crowd from the town was with her. And when the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." Then He came up and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited His people!" And this report about Him spread through the whole of Judea and all the surrounding country.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Common Responsory

LSB 221



(Stanzas 1,7,8, and 4)

- 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.
 Come now to us, O Lord of Life;
 Bring hope that conquers fear!
- 7 The ranks of death with trophy grim Through ancient streets once trod And suddenly confronted You, The mighty Son of God.
 A widow's tears evoked Your Word; You stopped the bearers' tread.
 "Weep not!" in pity then You spoke To her whose son was dead.
- 8 The ranks of death, the Lord of Life Stood face to face that hour; And You took up the age-old strife With words of awesome pow'r. "Young man, arise!" You ordered loud, And death defeated lay. The widow's son cast off his shroud And strode from death away.
- 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

Seeing with Jesus' Eyes

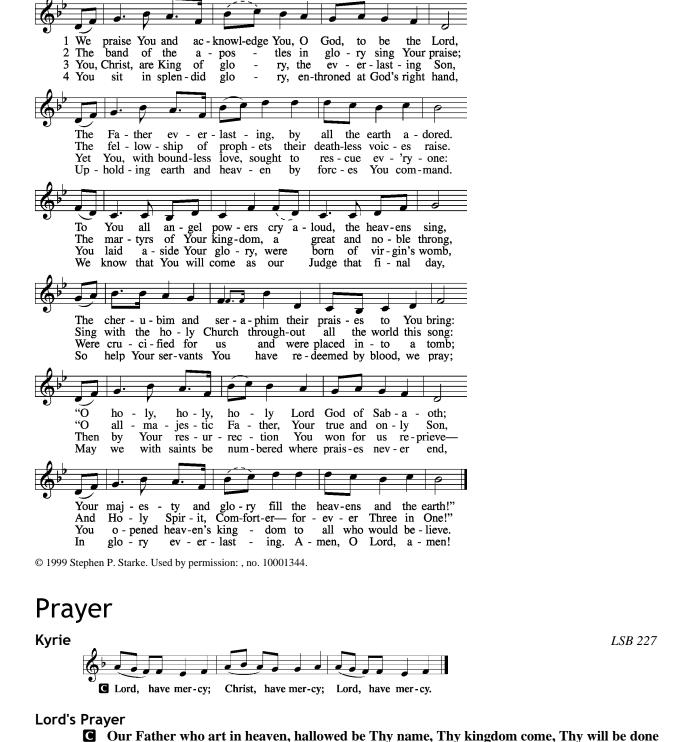
Offering

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!

Stand

Canticle

Te Deum - We Praise You and Acknowledge You



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. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

LSB 941

Salutation

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

Collect of the Day

- P O Lord, we pray that Your grace may always go before and follow after us, that we may continually be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Prayer of the Church

- P Lord God, heavenly Father, we come before You with thanksgiving and praise.
- **C** We praise You for our creation, preservation, and redemption.
- **P** We thank You for raising Your Son Jesus Christ from the dead and for preparing a place eternal in the heavens for all who trust in Your Son as their Savior.
- © For sending us Your Holy Spirit so that we might know Jesus Christ as Lord, we give You thanks.
- **P** We confess, O Lord, that we have often attempted to hide from You.
- Our sins have often broken the lines of communication between us.
- P We claim to be Your children through faith in Christ, but we have often failed to do Your will.
- We have not always behaved as members of Your family and have often permitted Satan to drive a wedge of division between us.
- P For giving the world the impression that Your kingdom is divided against itself,
- C forgive us, O Lord.
- P May Your Holy Spirit never leave us or forsake us.
- **C** When we stray from Your fold graciously search us out and find us.
- **P** When troubles and afflictions seem greater than we can bear,
- help us to remember that our mortal bodies are only the temporary dwelling place of Your Spirit.
- P Keep in our hearts and minds the assurance that You have built for us a house eternal in the heavens.
- When the time of our departure from this earth draws near, take us to live with You eternally.

WE GO TO THE LORD IN PRAYER FOR

- \$\frac{1}{2}\$ James Barnard, Shannon Barnard, James Rehfeldt, and Larry Richards, as they celebrate their Baptismal Anniversaries this week.
- 🕏 Isla Ann Wehmeyer, born to Mark and Kristin Wehmeyer last week.
- Harper Guinevere Hoskins, born to Scott and Alex Hoskins last week.
- * Karen Phillips, wife of Jerry Phillips, as she recovers from a fall and broken bones.
- ₱ Members of Zion's Board of Trustees, Stewardship Committee, and Board of Finance.
- **♣** Faithfulness in support of world missions.
- **P** We pray for our leaders in both state and church.
- We ask these favors, O Lord, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

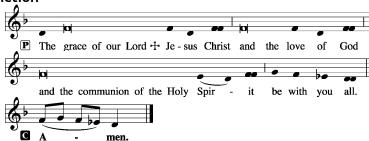
Collect for Grace

- P O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Benedicamus LSB 228



Benediction



Sit

Hymn

Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death

LSB 697

- 1 Awake, O sleeper, rise from death, And Christ shall give you light; So learn His love, its length and breadth, Its fullness, depth, and height.
- 2 To us on earth He came to bring From sin and fear release, To give the Spirit's unity, The very bond of peace.
- 3 Then walk in love as Christ has loved, Who died that He might save; With kind and gentle hearts forgive As God in Christ forgave.
- 4 For us Christ lived, for us He died, And conquered in the strife; Awake, arise, go forth in faith, And Christ shall give you life.

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Postlude

Jesus Shall Reign

arr. Robert Hobby

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LIFE AND LIVING ITEMS AT ZION

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL - SEPTEMBER 19th

We begin the fall with God's account of the beginning of all things in "God Creates the World." During the week, point out to your children some of the wonderful things in our world God made and praise Him for these creations. Consider asking, "How did God create the world? What is your favorite part of God's creation?"

YOUTH GROUP PICNIC/MEETING/GAME AFTER CHURCH TODAY!

Youth group is having a picnic, game, devotion, and meeting after church today! We encourage parents to attend this meeting as we will be gathering feedback on several matters and checking potential dates on a couple of upcoming events. (If you forgot to bring a picnic lunch, no worries! There will be some prepackaged snacks available.) All youth in 5th grade through high school are eligible to be in youth group and to join in on the fun at any time. We hope you can join us!!

PRESCHOOL BUTTER BRAIDS FUNDRAISER

Our fundraiser this year is once again Butter Braids, Cookie Dough, and Pizzas. Who doesn't love a good butter braid?! These products arrive frozen and can be prepared for the coming holidays. The order forms will be in the Narthex every Sunday after church and during the week through Wednesday, September 29th. You can also order online at: https://store.myfundraisingplace.com/fa670e0d-bb6a-4baa-bd30-b2380669099f. Or check out our preschool Facebook page for a direct link! https://www.facebook.com/ZionMascoutahPreschool All orders will be available for pick-up on Saturday, October 9th at 9:30 a.m. at the Preschool South Street doors. The money we raise will help us purchase additional toys and equipment for the gym. Thank you to everyone for helping to support our program by making a purchase.

BIBLE STUDY ON THE PASTORAL EPISTLES WITH SEM. DON STEIN

Zion Lutheran Church in Mascoutah, IL has helped raise up many men to become pastors over the years. Many words of wisdom have been shared with those men. (Just think, what advice would you give a young pastor?) Raising up men for ministry has always been part of the church's mission, beginning even before the Scriptures were totally written! St. Paul gives advice to two young pastors in these letters we know today as "The Pastoral Epistles," namely 1 Timothy, 2 Timothy, and Titus. His advice is not only for young pastors, however. It has real application to all leaders in God's church, all leaders in Christian homes, and all Christians in particular. Come and discover the gifts God has given to His church through the Pastoral Office! This Adult Bible Class will meet in the Fellowship Hall in the church basement.

NEW ADULT BIBLE STUDY WITH MARIANNE MCDANIEL

Zion will now offer two options for Adult Bible Study. One will be the traditional Bible Class in the church basement with Sem. Don Stein. The second will be a BIBLE OVERVIEW taught by Marianne McDaniel in the sanctuary. From Marianne: "I have heard people mention that they are not comfortable attending Adult Bible class because they do not feel they know the Bible well enough. I want to invite you to join me for a Bible Study that will follow the same curriculum as the 5th/6th grade confirmation class. It is a 30 lesson Bible overview. Do you have a child in the confirmation class?—join us so you can continue to have a discussion at home. Don't feel like you know the Bible well enough?—join us to get a bit more comfortable. Can't get to church for 8:45 class?—join us at 9 in the sanctuary (I will be leading singing for Sunday School until then, but you are welcome to join us for that too!) So, drop your kids off, run and get your coffee and meet us at 9!"

"SERVING OUR COMMUNITIES" WORKSHOP SEPTEMBER 25th

On Saturday, September 25th, Zion Lutheran Church in Mascoutah will host a workshop called "Serving our Communities: Congregational Engagement for Community Renewal." Presenters will describe various projects that have led their congregation out into the community and will address questions like "how does this project share the Gospel and/or love your neighbors," "how is this project a blessing to the community," and "how is this project a blessing to the congregation." As we hear from leaders in our District who are involved in

significant projects in their communities, we can also see how we can be more active to work for the good of our own communities. The workshop will begin at 9:15 a.m. on Saturday, September 25 with sign-in, and the sessions will start at 9:30 a.m. Lunch will be provided for a free-will donation. To register for the workshop, or for more information, please contact Rev. Dr. Kirk Clayton, pastor of Zion Lutheran in Mascoutah, at pastor@zionmascoutah.org.

RINGERS NEEDED!

Last year, we were blessed to hear beautiful chime music each month. As our hand chime ensemble enters its second year, we have space for three new members! Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays at about 8:15 PM, and we will play monthly at the Sunday service. Ringing chimes is easy, but basic music reading ability is helpful. Please contact Nancy Peterson (joshandnancyp@gmail.com or 618-973-8169) if you are interested in joining.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MINISTRY

The International Student Ministry at SIUE is in need of items for the incoming international students. They can only bring two suitcases, so they have many household needs. Please check the list below and see if you might have some of the items requested by the students. Contact Bessie Fick at Bessie:Fick@yahoo.com or call or text 515-230-9937. International Student Needs: Twin Mattresses, Box Springs, Bed Frames, Desk, Pots/Pans, Curtains, Ironing board and Iron, Lamp, Toaster, Coffee Maker, Shirt Hangers, 3 Bicycles, 2 Microwaves, 2 Rice Cookers, 2 Blenders, 2 Sets of Dishes, and 2 Vacuum Cleaners. Thank you!

SID CAMPUS MINISTRIES NEED NAMES

If you or your child will be attending SIU at Carbondale or SIU at Edwardsville, the LCMS has campus ministries to offer you spiritual and social help. We are pleased to offer campus ministries at both locations, but we need to let our campus chaplains know who's attending. Please send contact information for students attending SIU-E Pastor Bierman at 314-255-8066. For students attending SIU-C, pass names along to lutheran@siu.edu or call Pastor Holden at 618-521-8006.

PASTOR CLAYTON'S GERMANY LUTHER SITES AND OBERAMMERGAU TOUR HAS SPACE

The world is opening back up after Covid, and plans are underway to host the Oberammergau Passion Play in 2022, after it was postponed from 2020. Pastor Clayton was scheduled to lead a tour to see Luther and Bach sites and attend the Oberammergau Passion Play, along with experiencing various cultural sites events, but the tour was postponed. Due to changes in plans, some of the attendees who had reserved spots on the 2020 tour can no longer participate, so a limited number of spots are now available for the 2022 version of the tour with Pastor Clayton. Don't miss the chance to visit prominent Reformation sites, including Wittenberg, Eisleben (where Luther was born and died), Eisenach and the Wartburg Castle, Erfurt, Worms, and Augsburg among others. Also, you won't want to miss the Oberammergau Passion Play! Join in before reservations are completely full again for this version of the tour! The new tour dates are June 28-July 9, 2022. For more information about this special opportunity contact Pastor Clayton by email at Pastor@ZionMascoutah.org or email the tour company, Reformation Tours at info@reformationtours.com and ask to be included in Tour RKC-22 hosted by Pastor Clayton.

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THE FLOWERS ON THE LORD'S ALTAR

The flowers on the Lord's altar are given to the glory of God to celebrate the awesomeness of God's creation as we enter the Fall season.

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton

Lector: Sem. Don Stein and Sem. Kyle Moellenhoff

Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton

Elder of the Month: Tony Lara

THOSE WHO SERVE NEXT WEEK, SEPTEMBER 25-26

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Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton
Altar Guild: Joyce Hendrix
Elder of the Month: Tony Lara

THINGS WE ARE DOING AT ZION

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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
	Youth Group Meeting/Picnic	11:15 AM
Mon.	LifeLight	7:00 PM
Wed.	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM
	Hand Chime Rehearsal	8:00 PM
Fri.	Senior Meal Delivery	10:30 AM
Sat.	"Serving our Communities" Workshop	
	at Zion Mascoutah	9:30 AM – 2:00 PM
	Worship DS I w/communion	7:00 PM
Sun.	Confirmation Class	8:30 AM
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	Worship DS I w/communion	10:00 AM

ATTENDANCE SEPTEMBER 11/12: Saturday: 14 Sunday: 112

Adult Bible Class: 14 High School: 5 Sunday School: 40